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DEANS MEET AT EVANTSON

CONFERENCE HELD ON COURSES OF STUDY.

DR. JAMES PRESENT

Methodist Minister Returns Home —Sessions Conducted By General Conference Commission.

The meeting of the Deans of the Summer Schools of Theology, held at Evanston, Ill., December 30 to January 1, conducted by the General Conference Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on courses of study was well attended.

Dr. C. C. James, pastor of the First M. E. Church, was present at this meeting. He returned home last night.

Dr. Allan MacRossie the educational director, presided. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of the Chicago Area, the president of the commission, was at meeting and spoke several times. The various speakers were the Deans of Summer Schools held all over Methodism. Such themes were discussed as, "Written Work of the Course," being a correspondence course conducted by the Board of Examiners. A very interesting address was given on the "Graduate Schools," in which a post-graduate course is prepared and offered to those that have been graduated from the regular course of study which is being pursued by some two thousand men over Methodism. Dr. H. F. Rall of Garrett Biblical Institute in whose building the sessions were being held spoke on "The Values of the Courses of Study." Another paper of interest was "The Board of Examiners as a Recruiting Agency."

The last forenoon session of the meeting was given over to the discussion of the "Spirit of Worship," in the following papers. "The Spirit of Worship in the Holy Communion." "Worship in the Reading of the Scriptures." "Worship in Singing", "Worship in Prayer," and "Worship in the Sermon." After some discussion of these themes the meeting adjourned at the close of an address by Bishop Hughes.

A banquet was given at the University Club building in Evanston, Ill. at which Dr. W. S. Bovard of Chicago and Paul Hutchison, of the "Christian Century" spoke and he was followed by Bishop Hughes and others.

Issues Call for Bank Statements

Washington, Jan. 3.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for the condition of national banks as of the close of business December 31.

To Hold Meetings in Washington and Grant

Farm Bureau Plans 5 Meetings in These Townships During the Coming Week.

Five Farm Bureau meetings will be held next week, preceding the solicitation of memberships, in Grant and Jefferson townships. The meetings that were announced this morning at the Farm Bureau office for next week will be held at the following schools:

Monday, January 5,—Barnard.

Tuesday, January 6.—Fairview school.

Wednesday, January 7.—Jefferson school.

Thursday, January 8.—Guilford school.

Friday, January 9.—Lincoln school.

J. Ross Fleetwood, county agent, said this morning that there has been good attendance at all the meetings held this week. At the meeting last night John Evans, former president of the Nodaway County Farm Bureau, spoke and Mr. Fleetwood showed two reels of motion pictures.

The membership drive has been somewhat hampered in that the solicitors have been unable to get out over the townships where the meetings have been held.

Leave for Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bellows and daughters, Helen Marie and Marjorie, of Chicago left this afternoon for their home after a holiday visit with Mrs. Bellows' father, J. R. Brink, and her sister, Mrs. R. P. Hosmer, and family.

Mrs. C. O. Lyle and son, Jack, of Omaha, who have been spending the holidays with Mr. Lyle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Lyle, will return home tonight.

First Notice of Taxes Sent Out

Income tax returns were being received by Maryville people today.

The first notices that the tax would be due were mailed out of the Kansas City office yesterday, but the final date of payment of the tax is not until March 15. The tax may be paid at time of filing the return, or in four equal installments.

A return must be filed by every citizen having a net income last year of $1,000 or more, if single or if married and not living with husband or wife, and if married and living with husband or wife, $2,500 or more.

Under the new law, the tax is reduced this year to 2 per cent on the first $4,000. Last year it was 4 per cent. An exemption of $400 a year for each child under eighteen years of age is allowed.

WILL RESUME WORK ON ROAD

TO BE UNDER WAY ABOUT WEDNESDAY OF NEXT WEEK.

SOUTH HIGHWAY OPEN

Traffic Is Now Routed Direct Over State Road Instead of Using Detour Route To Arkoe.

After a delay of several weeks, due to unfavorable weather conditions, work on the north state road between Maryville and Burlington Junction will be resumed next week, probably Wednesday, F. M. Starr, in charge of the work, said this morning.

Approximately four hundred cubic yards of gravel have already been laid on the road. With favorable weather conditions, it is estimated that approximately 175 cubic yards can be laid per day, and that about one hundred working days will be required to complete the entire project.

With the resumption of the work next week, the gravel will be piled along the side of the right-of-way and will be put on the road when conditions permit.

Although only a few men are now employed on the north project, it is thought that the force will be enlarged to fifty workmen when the road construction work gets under full swing.

On account of the freezing temperatures, the gravel cannot be put on the road so that it will "set" properly.

With the announcement today of the resumption of work next week comes the information that the south state road, between Maryville and St. Joseph, has been opened up to traffic all the way. For the last several months traffic has been routed by the way of the Arkoe road but now motorists can go straight through on the state highway.

Two Cases for April Term of Court Filed

Two cases were filed in circuit court yesterday afternoon for the April term of court.

A partition suit was filed by Fred Grimit against Jordon C. Grimit, et al.

Thomas F. Buzzard et al filed a damage suit against Watson Richie, claiming in his petition fradulent representation on the part of the defendant in a real estate deal. The plaintiff is seeking to recover damages to the extent of $1,600 and costs.

STARTING TODAY!

"Gordon of the Lost Lagoon," a story full of the tang of the sea and the bewitching beauty of the islands in the Gulf of Georgia, written in a manner to please the kiddies as well as the grown-ups, starts in today's issue of the Democrat-Forum, and will continue for about four weeks.

A flavor of Huckleberry Finn is in the early chapters of this story of a waif of the Vancouver docks. Despite the roughness of the life he encounters as a little wharf-rat, Douglass Gordon, with good humor and good luck, pushes his way through difficulties with quiet courage.

See page two of today's issue of the Democrat-Forum.

DR. MARTIN IS NEW R.C. HEAD

EXECUTIVE BOARD HOLDS ORGANIZATION MEETING

MISS TURNER RETAINED

Other Officers of Board Elected and Appointed—Honorary Members are Named

Dr. Vilas Martin was elected chairman of the Nodaway County Red Cross chapter executive board at an organization meeting last night at the Red Cross rooms. R. P. Hosmer was the chairman of the executive board last year.

It was the first regular meeting of the newly elected board. The members present at the meeting were Dr. Vilas Martin, John Mutz, Mrs. J. J. Heifner, Miss Clara Sturm, Mrs. L. E. Ziegler and W. N. Deatherage.

The board elected from its member John Mutz as vice-chairman of the board for this year. W. N. Deatherage was re-elected secretary. Miss Betty Turner was re-appointed executive secretary of the Red Cross chapter of Nodaway County for this year. Other appointive officers named last night are:

Home Service chairman, M. E. Ford; Disaster Relief chairman, L. M. Eek; Nutrition chairman, Mrs. L. M. Eek; Braille chairman, Mrs. J. J. Heifner; Publicity chairman, Miss Clara Sturm; Volunteer Service chairman, Mrs. W. J. Montgomery; and Junior Red Cross chairman, Miss Catherine Remus.

The honorary members elected to the executive board at the meeting last night are:

Uel W. Lamkin, president of the Northwest Missouri State Teachers College; L. E. Ziegler, superintendent of Maryville Public Schools; Dr. C. P. Fryer; the Rev. Father Placidus; Jack Pennington, commander of the Seth Ray David Post Veterans of the Foreign Wars; Dr. C. T. Bell, vice-president of the James Edward Gray Post of the American Legion; and Harry Snyder, commander of the Theodore Roosevelt post of the Spanish American War Veterans.

The executive board decided to hold meetings the first Thursday night of each month.

To Repeal Censorship on Motion Pictures

New York Legislature Expected to Give Public Officials Complete Control of All Film Productions.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 3.—The law creating a motion picture censorship commission will be repealed by the Republicans at the coming session of the Legislature, it was learned today from sources close to Republican leaders. In place of the censorship commission, the Republicans will enact a measure amending the penal law giving public authorities complete control of motion pictures and films.

German Government Still Without Cabinet

Chancellor Marx Reports to President Ebert That Centrist Party is Insisting Upon Coalition

Berlin, Jan. 3—Germany on Monday will have a new legislative body in session without a cabinet to direct the government's policies. This situation was made evident today when Chancellor Marx again reported to President Ebert that he could not form a new cabinet. The reason, he said, was that the Centrist party is insisting upon a coalition which would include the Social Democrats.

Elsie and Her Lover are Denied New Trial

Judge Overrules Motions of Mrs. Sweetin and Hight and Sentences Them to Penitentiary.

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Jan. 3.—Judge Kearn today overruled the motion for a new trial filed by Mrs. Elsie Sweetin and her "love" the Rev. Lawrence Hight, unfrocked minister of Ina, who were convicted of poisoning Wilford Sweetin, one of the obstacles to their union. The court then sentenced Hight to spend the remainder of his life at Chester, Ill., and Mrs. Sweetin to Joliet for thirty-five years.

J. W. Borrusch of Omaha and a former resident of Maryville is a business visitor here today.

FIRST CUPID VICTIM IN 1925

Every January there is the first marriage license to be issued at the Recorder's office in Maryville. As it happens this year Cupid inveigled one unsuspecting 6 foot man by the name of Paul Ward of Maryville to bring his prospective bride, Miss Winifred Irene Thompson, also of Maryville, to the Recorder's office this morning, to take out the first marriage license to be issued here this year.

And thereby hangs a tale. It is retrospective:

What atmosphere prevails at the stucco home of O. W. Swinford, 221 West Third street, has not been divulged. But the facts are that within the bounds of fourteen months, three male citizens of this peaceful town, who have made their home with Mr. and Mrs. Swinford, have decided to tear away from the life of single bliss and be harnessed into the double shafts. These three men are in the order of departure from the Swinford home:

Clarence Vogt.

M. E. Ford, and the last,

Paul Ward.

The magic of the enchanted chair at Perrin Hall, now occupied by Dr. H. L. Stinson, and the influence exerted at the Swinford home, should be made known. There is yet one young man of impeachable reputation still living at 221 West Third street and goes by the name of Steele McIntyre. Will he be the next?

POST OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED

G. A. R. AND W. R. C. HAVE A MEETING.

PUCKETT HEADS VETS

Mrs. Hattie Puckett Is Also Installed as President of Women's Organization—Banquet Is Served.

A joint installation of officers of Sedgwick Post No. 21, G. A. R., and the W. R. C., No. 42, was held this morning and the officers-elect for the ensuing year were installed by Charles Hyslop, senior past commander. The officers of the Sedgwick Post are: T. J. Puckett, commander; A. M. Howard, senior commander; T. Y. Neal, junior commander; W. H. Hudson, adjutant; J. G. Grems, quartermaster; J. R. Croy, surgeon; J. H. Sayler, chaplain; Charles Hyslop, patriotic instructor; A. R. Souers, officer of the day; Steve Martin, officer of the guard; J. W. Herren, Q. M. S.

The officers of the W. R. C. installed were: Mrs. Hattie Puckett, president; Mrs. Frances Foland, senior vice-president; Letitia Allen, junior vice-president; Henrietta Lahr, chaplain; Lena Ruddell, treasurer; Minnie E. Farrar, conductor; Fidella Gearhart, guard; Mrs. Belle Frankum, secretary; and Dora Eckert, Mary Herron, Amelia Outs, Minnie Haist, color bearers.

After the installation service, a banquet was served at the Jack Pennington restaurant.

Son of Representative Is Reported Killed

Macon, Mo., Jan. 3.—Finis Crawford, son of Al Crawford, state representative from Macon County and vice-president of the Missouri Farmers Union, was killed in an automobile accident at Crawford, four miles south of La Platte, this afternoon, according to word received here.

Fraternity House at K. U. Burns Today

Pi Kappa Alpha Loss Is Estimated At $40,000 Which Does Not Include Students' Artticles.

Lawrence, Kan., Jan. 3.—The Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity house at the University of Kansas was destrayed by fire today with an estimated loss of 40,000, only partially covered by insurance. Thousands of dollars worth of clothing and students' effects were not included in the estimate. The fire started in the top floor of the house and was supposedly started by a fire left in the house by a student acting as caretaker.

STANDS FIRM ON PAYMENTS

BRITAIN INSISTS UPON FRENCH REPARATIONS.

LEAVES U. S. FREE

American Government Can Act As It Wishes, England Points Out In Its Latest Note to Washington.

London, Jan. 3.—Great Britain will stand firm in its policy that France in liquidating its war debts shall pay to England sums equal to those France pays to the United States.

This viewpoint has been "informally communicated" to the United States government, the British foreign office announced today. The attitude of Britain has not been communicated to France or Italy, it was said.

Great Britain does not object to the United States making what terms it likes with France, it was emphasized, but Britain holds it is free to complete arrangements with France independent of terms the United States may make.

Mike Maher Burned by Alcohol Igniting

Mike Maher, a mechanic at the Arnold-Strong Motor Company, was severely burned yesterday evening when some alcohol ignited. Maher lighted a match and held it over a radiator so as to determine how much water and alcohol was in the tank. The engine of the car had been running and the steam of the alcohol exploded. Maher suffered severe burns about the face and eyes and his hair was badly singed.

"Never again will I hold a match over the top of a radiator," was Maher's only comment on the accident.

Gertrude Horton Heads Alumni Association

An alumni association of the Ravenwood High School was organized December 27 at the schoolhouse. The meeting was called at that time as there was a number of graduates home for the holidays. Gertrude Horton was elected president, Eldon Steiger, vice-president, and Mildred Hubbell secretary-treasurer. It is planned to have a homecoming at the high school this spring.

Lee Bridge Is Being Repaired by Randall

Bridge Northeast of Maryville Has Been in Bad Shape Due to Heavy Hauling.

Work was started this morning on making some repairs on the Lee bridge, northeast of Maryville, by W. W. Randall with a gang of three workmen. The piers on the west part of the bridge were in bad shape due to the heavy hauling over the bridge and had become such that the bridge was in bad shape.

Gallaghers File An Attachment Suit Today

An attachment suit was filed in the circuit court today for the April term of court by Mary E. and John J. Gallagher against I. D. Owens. The plaintiffs are suing for $1,400 at 8 per cent interest and costs and ask that attachment may be issued against defendants on all of the crops grown for the year 1924.

Dr. and Mrs. James Return.

Dr. C. C. James returned last night from Chicago, where he has been attending the annual meeting of Deans of the Summer Schools of Theology which was held December 30 to January 1. He was accompanied home by Mrs. James, who has been visiting his brother, the Rev. Frank James, and family at Marceline, Mo., during his absence.

Emmett Miller Very Ill.

Emmett Miller of Parnell is very ill at St. Francis hospital following an emergency operation at 5 o'clock this morning for appendicitis. He was brought to the hospital during the night.

O. E. Goforth of Canton, Ill., will start work Monday at the Bee Hive shoe store as shoe repairer.

Mrs. Helen Journey Is Denied Divorce

All Concerned in Case of Former M. U. Professor Is Cleared by Judge—Cross-Bill Under Advisement.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Mrs. Helen Journey, wife of Professor Journey of North Carolina College of Agriculture, and formerly of the University of Missouri, was today denied a divorce. Everyone concerned in the case was cleared by Judge Sabath. Professor Journey's cross-bill was taken under advisement of the court until January 13.

Meantime, Mrs. Journey retains custody of the children of her husband who must continue to pay her $125 a month. Judge Sabath said he did not believe Mrs. Journey had improper relations with Oscar Harman, law student and boarder in her home. He called Harman before him and advised him to get another rooming place.

BIGGEST TAX WEEK KNOWN

POLK TOWNSHIP COLLECTIONS SURMOUNT ALL PRECEDENT

IS MORE THAN $52,000

City Hall Has Been Scene of Bustling Activity Since Monday Morning—$25,000 In One Day.

Polk township tax collections this week have surmounted any previous week since taxes have been collected, is the belief of George H. Meek, Polk township assessor, and Mrs. Bess Thorp, Polk township collector. Not counting the collections today more than $52,000 has been paid in for Polk township taxes for the year 1924, since Monday morning.

Wednesday, December 31, was biggest day of the week when more than $25,000 was paid over the table at the city hall to Mrs. Bess Thorp. Yesterday comes next in amount of collections for any one day since collections commenced November 14, when $14,162 was paid by Polk township tax payers.

Out of the approximately $415,000 that was assessed in Polk township to be collected there yet remains approximately $18,000 which will become delinquent Monday morning, January 5. At this time the penalty of 1 per cent will be added, and there will be no "if's, and's, but's or whyfors," Mr. Meek said this afternoon.

Since November the township collector for Polk township has received approximately $127,000. There is a much smaller amount of delinquent taxes this year to be collected than there was last year at the same time, Mrs. Thorp said this afternoon.

At this time last year $108,000 was collected in Polk township taxes. This means that $19,000 more was paid in during the two collection months of November and December, 1924, than during the same months in 1923.

The city hall has been a scene of activity extended to the highest pitch this week. Tax payers came in starting on Monday morning in an effort to get their taxes paid before the first of the year, both for the city and Polk township taxes. The business increased on Tuesday and on Wednesday the collectors were completely swamped. In fact there were many tax payers who could not be waited on and many of these just left blank checks on the desk of the township collector so the receipts could be filled out when the collectors could get to it.

Class Day Exercises to Be Held on Monday

Program by the Mid-Year Graduating Class of the Maryville High School for Exercises Announced.

Class day exercises by the mid-year graduating class of the Maryville High School will be held at 10 o'clock next Monday morning in the High School auditorium.

The program that has been prepared for class day exercises:

Piano solo—Verlea James.

Reading—Mary Elizabeth Jones.

Cello solo—Lucille Gaugh.

Reading—Olive Ewing.

Piano solo—Audrey Stiwalt.

Class will.

Vocal duet—Lucile and Audrey Stiwalt.

Class prophecy.

Piano solo—Marvin Westfall.

ASKS LAW TO STOP SLANDER

WOULD PROHIBIT "WHISPERING CAMPAIGN."

APPROVES POSTAL BILL

Coolidge Favors Compromise Measure Adopted by Postoffice Committee as Substitute for Increased Rates.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Legislation designed to protect the memory of the Presidents of the United States against "malicious defamation" or "slander" was introduced in the House today by Representative Reed, Republican of Illinois. Along with it, Reed introduced a resolution calling for a Congressional investigation to determine "the truth or falsity of some of the allegations now appearing in a weekly magazine series of articles on Woodrow Wilson, written by a woman."

Washington, Jan. 3.—President Coolidge today approved the compromise postal rate bill drafted by the joint postal committee of Congress. His approval of the lower rates adopted after newspaper publishers had protested against the proposed increases was voiced to Senator Moses, Republican of New Hampshire, chairman of the committee of the special sub-committee which held hearings on the postal bill.

Fascist Government Sets Up Censorship

Italy's Internal Dissention Flares Up Higher Again Today With More Raids by Black Shirts.

London, Jan. 3.—There were evidences today that the Fascist administration has set up a censorship on outgoing news concurrent with the campaign of the suppression of newspapers with anti-Fascist tendencies.

Pisa, Italy, Jan. 3.—Italy's internal dissention flared higher again today with an outbreak of Fascist here. The Black Shirts raided the Masonic lodge and then attacked a printing plant, devastating it and burning the supply of paper. Several prominent politicians were manhandled by the mob and their homes ransacked.

Rome, Jan. 3.—There is no such thing as a Fascist cheka, or secret political society, operating in Italy, Premier Mussolini declared today in the Chamber of Deputies. He said that he had not authorized such a policy and that it would be impossible as well as "idiotic" to organize one. He told the deputies that he was appealing for pacification of his country and had no intention of resorting to violence.

K. U. Students Threaten to Quit University

Chancellor E. H. Lindley Calls General Mass Meeting for Monday Morning—Expected to Urge "Peace."

Lawrence, Kan., Jan. 3.—With the revival this afternoon of talk of a student walk-out if the dismissal of Chancellor E. H. Lindley of the University of Kansas by Governor Jonathan M. Davis in the hearing Monday, officials of the University called a general meeting of the student body for Monday morning several hours before the time set for the hearing on the temporary injunction obtained by the Chancellor. It is understood that the Chancellor will urge the students to avoid any demonstration during the court procedure.

College to Commence on Tuesday Morning

Regular class work will again start at the State Teachers College on Tuesday morning, January 6. The Christmas holiday vacation has extended from December 19.

Bearcat basketball practice has been continued through the vacation period by H. Frank Lawrence, coach. The Cub team and the Kittycats will start basketball practice on Tuesday afternoon.

The Residence Hall will open Monday.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair tonight and Sunday; not much change in temperature, lowest tonight about 18.

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN NODAWAY COUNTY.

PLAIN BRUTALITY.

Because he was a hero and fought bravely in the war, England gave him her highest decoration.

Because it is not true that "nothing can be too good for the boys when they come back," after the war is over, he fell on evil days and lost his decoration in a pawnshop.

Because this jobless man, no longer a hero, could not bear that his baby should not have its Christmas, he forged a check and was sent to jail.

Thus far it is the usual way of the world. When wars are over the heroes fade from the picture. When laws are violated there is no immunity for those who fought to make laws live.

But—and here is where society is wrong—when the baby was at the point of death the half-crazed father was refused permission to see it. That was bad enough. But worse—when the baby died, authority sternly set its jaw and refused to let the man who earned the highest decoration attend the funeral. And that was brutal!

A little of the season's spirit of humanity would have helped. Happily, such cruelty is rare enough to make this case stand out.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Have you noticed the difference? This is 1925.

All aboard now for a big year in Maryville. Let's make this the banner year for this town.

Government investigation shows that only one man in ten makes a practice of purchasing the family meat. It also shows that the women doing the purchasing do not, as a rule, make a study of the merits of the different cuts of meat. On an average they are familiar with only two or three steaks and less than one roast. This means that there is great extravagance in buying. Where practically all the people want the same cuts, the butcher must make these cuts pay for the whole animal.

The Supreme Court of Missouri has upheld the automobile registration law and declares the sale of an automobile is illegal unless the buyer presents the secretary of state, within a certain number of days, a certificate of ownership for transfer. Under this decision all persons in the state, who have purchased used cars or new cars, without obtaining a new certificate from the secretary of state, after the transfer, are not legally the owners of their cars. The decision specifically holds that transfer of a bill of sale does not comply with the requirements of the law.

Fifty Years Ago

(Taken from the Nodaway Democrat, Jan. 7, 1875.)

A wagon crossed the Missouri River going east, the other day, with myriads of grasshoppers painted on the cover, and bearing the inscription:

Good-bye, Kansas,
I bid you adieu;
I may emigrate to h——l,
But never back to you.

The Courthouse—the second-story inside portion is undergoing repairs. It will be renovated generally, and it needs it badly.

An extensive fire broke out last Wednesday night at Bedford, Taylor County, Iowa, burning a row or block of buildings west of the Bedford House.

John Hanson has leased the west room, first floor, of Baker, Saunders and Co.'s bank building, and will remove his shoe-shop some time this month.

Dr. Mulholland has now opened up and ready for business in his new drug store in the Baker Block. Read his local under the heading, "Ready for Business."

The thermometer on last Tuesday morning indicated thirteen below zero.

Fisher, Jackson & Co., are now having built by Gile and Southwell one of the finest bank counters we have ever seen. It will soon be finished and placed in position in their banking house, where all will have an opportunity to see it.

After the closing of the services of the M. E. Sabbath School, North, on last Sunday, Judge Alderman, for the last year superintendent of the school, was made the happy recipient of a beautiful and costly book, the gift of the scholars and teachers of his school. The book was presented to the superintendent by J. E. Laffer with appropriate remarks, the Judge responding in a pleasant and well-worded five-minute speech, thanking the school for its token of affection and esteem.

J. L. Hepburn, one of the wide-awake and intelligent citizens of Independence township, called on us last Tuesday, he being a delegate to the meeting of the County Board of Directors of schools, which met in Maryville on the 5th inst. Mr. Hepburn has been for the past three years the assessor of Independence township, and turned over, on last Tuesday, to County Clerk Jackson one of the neatest sets of books we have ever seen. Mr. Hepburn reports Independence township in a most thriving condition. A large number of fine and costly farm houses have been erected there this past year and improvements are going on in every portion of the township. We hope that Mr. Hepburn will find it convenient to call on us whenever in Maryville.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

The ladies of the First Baptist Church have arranged an Inter-Denominational Knitting Contest to be held Friday night, January 6, at the First M. E. Church for the benefit of their building fund. Men and women of all denominations are eligible to this contest. Men will be allowed a handicap of twenty stitches. Knowing the tendency of a knitter to keep his or her face in motion, the committee on rules and regulations insist that the contestants shall observe Rule 40, that all knitters shall keep their faces in repose. The contestants are: Mrs. W. R. Wells, Mrs. I. W. Nixon, Mrs. J. E. Melvin, Mrs. A. J. Anderson, Mrs. Joseph Binter, Mrs. L. Goblet, Mrs. W. C. Frank, Mrs. George W. Turner, Mrs. F. M. Martin, Mrs. R. H. Perry, Miss Mina Armstrong, Miss Sarah McCoy, W. F. Smith, J. E. Melvin and Napoleon B. Lamar. The judges will be Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Mrs. H. A. Denton, Mrs. R. L. Thompson, Mrs. C. E. Kircher, Mrs. Frank Anderson, Mrs. Nick Sturm, Mrs. C. J. Alderman.

W. E. Goforth, formerly in the employ of the Burlington here, but later their agent at Fairfax, Mo., has been named as the successor of J. C. Johnson as agent at Maryville, and will take charge here in a few days. The appointment of Mr. Goforth will give good satisfaction.

Mrs. D. J. Howell, the milliner, is now occupying the north side of the Gillam building.

The marriage of Miss Ella Belle Miller, daughter of Mrs. J. B. Miller, to Dr. Clarence E. Cox took place at the home of the bride's mother on South Buchanan street last Wednesday evening, December 28. The groom is a dentist of Fairfax.

The new county court held a session Tuesday. It is composed of Judges W. T. Jackson, W. T. Conlin and M. W. Staples, George S. Miller, the new surveyor, has appointed James K. Young deputy bridge commissioner.

The Maryville Seminary has secured Dr. William A. Quayle to deliver the opening address for the winter at the First M. E. Church Thursday evening, January 5.

J. C. Johnson was presented with a fine Morris chair last Sunday evening at the Epworth League meeting by the members of North M. E. Epworth League. He has been president of the League for some time. Mr. Johnson left Tuesday for Burlington, Ia., where he becomes traveling freight agent.

Carl Murray of Maryville and Miss Rose Kemp, who for some time was employed in Bishoff's photograph gallery, were married at her parent's home near Creston, Ia. Mr. Murray is the only son of Theodore Murray of Maryville.

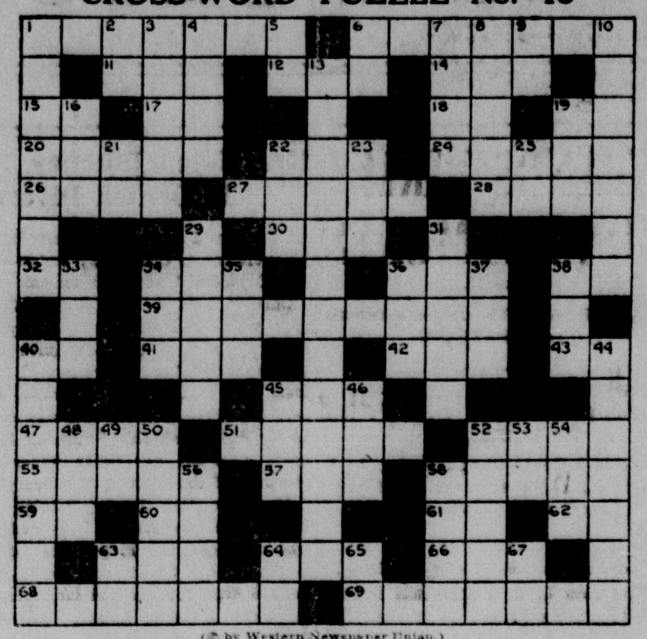
Null Estate Probated.

The estate of the late George W. Null, who died December 29, 1924, was probated yesterday. All of the property, both personal and real estate is left to the wife, Mrs. G. W. Null. This morning Judge Jesse F. Robertson of the Probate Court appointed two sons Orlin G. Null of Pickering and George Hubert Null of Maryville as executors of the estate.

Just Arrived—Car each Wyoming lump, Missouri lump, Franklin Co. lump, Franklin Co. egg coal. William Everhart.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 15



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1—Portion
6—Dappled
11—Implore
12—Suffix denoting morbid condition of some part
14—Soft drink
15—Personal pronoun
17—Note of musical scale
18—Not out
19—Like
20—A bay window
22—Greek letter
24—Misanthrope
26—Receptacle for flowers
27—Cut
28—Only
30—Mischievous child
32—Means of transportation (abbr.)
34—Past
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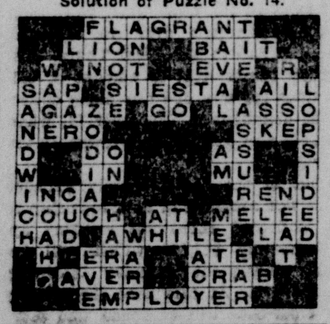
38—Near
39—Villainous
40—Impersonal pronoun
41—Insect
42—Domesticated ox
43—Printer's measure
45—Electrical unit of resistance
47—Small body of land surrounded by water
51—Cry of pain
52—Clothe
55—Impedes
57—Founded (abbr.)
58—Boredom
59—Suffix forming adjectives
60—Pertaining to
61—Musical note
62—College degree
63—Fold of cloth
64—Doctrine
66—Unit of work
68—Depot
69—Shell lined with mother-of-pearl

Vertical.

1—Russian urn
2—British empire (abbr.)
3—Pray
4—The same as (obs.)
5—Toward
6—Note of musical scale
7—Narrative poem
8—European rabbits
9—Mess duty in army (initials)
10—Degradation
13—Change of form or substance
16—Period of time
19—Indisposition
21—Exists
22—Nickname of eastern university
23—Viper
25—Negative
29—Deputy
31—One who holds a land tenure (Scot.)
33—Decay
34—Collection of books or information
35—Frequently (poetic)
36—Chinese sauce
37—Inquire
38—Forever
40—Slender mass of ice (pl.)
44—To act as a mediary
45—Native metal
46—Pad
48—Crafty
49—Behold!
50—Species of heron
52—Knot in wood
53—Preposition
54—To smear
56—Prefix denoting half
58—Greek school philosophy
63—Short laugh or exclamation
64—Preposition
65—Parent
67—Proceed

The solution will appear in next issue.

Solution of Puzzle No. 14.



"Gordon Of The Lost Lagoon"

by Robert Watson

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CHAPTER ONE.

"It must be bred in the bone, boy, or it wouldn't be there; but I'd give a lot to know who your folks were."

That was the limit of any reprimand I ever received from my kindly old foster-mother, Sarah Berry, when she would gasp at finding me off the end of the mill wharf, naked as on the day I was born, astride a log in the Inlet, paddling as for dear life and in deadly combat with a nigger-boy playmate who was bearing down on me astride an enemy craft in the form of another log belonging to the Northern Pacific Mills.

She would ask big Forbes, the wharf foreman, to chase us home any time he found us there again, and he would agree to do so but would forget his promise and laugh to himself as he thought how humble our log-rolling performance had been compared with the one he had seen us at just before the anxious old lady came on the scene—diving beneath a boom of logs and swimming under water till we came up on the other side.

"Just water rats!" he would mutter to himself as he made across the wharf, "and the first water rat doomed to be drowned has yet to be born."

I was the spoiled favorite in a humble household of three, Mrs. Berry, Sam (my foster-father) and myself, then at the interesting and callow age of twelve.

I had learned in a disjointed way, from an odd phrase dropped now and again, that my real mother had died when I was born; that I had been brought up in another home until that home also got broken up; that my father might be alive, but, again, that in every probability he was not, for he had gone away after my mother's death and had not returned to claim me.

I had never discussed the matter with my foster-mother and the information had simply seeped into my mind, a word here and another there—to me at all times uninteresting and of little account, for Mrs. Berry had not once failed in filling all the exacting requirements of both father and mother.

Sam Berry, my foster-father, was a shiftless, good-natured, easy-going, easily-led, irresponsible individual who slept, smoked and talked with much greater gusto than he did anything else. When he could not get out of it, he worked as a longshoreman. He was what he jocularly called a "Green Funnel specialist"—for Sam could spring his little joke even when it was on himself—and he conveyed the idea in his talk that it would be a lowering of his dignity for him to help in the loading or unloading of any other that a "Green Funnel" steamer, and as these vessels generally came into port at the rate of one a month they did not unduly interfere with Sam's debates and arguments in the waterfront saloons.

Sam Berry had not always been this way. At twenty-two he had been reckoned the ablest of the younger stevedores in the great seaport of Liverpool, but time and drink had wrought changes much to Sam's detriment. And a strange thing with him was that he could run a boat with the same skill as he could load one.

It was next to impossible for anyone to get angry with him. There was nothing in his make-up to engender anger. He had an open ear and an open hand for any kind of hard-luck story. He spent what little money he earned in the same shiftless way as he worked. The Western Hotel bartenders got the most of it.

It was lucky indeed for our little home—as I can see now—that his good-natured, big-hearted wife was a practised hand at dressmaking, for she seldom if ever saw any of Sam's earnings and she had got so used to doing without his help that she took the condition more or less as a matter of course.

Sam was apparently past all changing. Mrs. Berry was his mainstay and his sheet anchor, and I can remember it was her constant prayer that she would be spared to outlive him, for she could conceive of herself living without Sam but never of Sam living without her.

Sam never quarreled with her. He bowed to her judgment in all things. What she said and what she did were quite all right with him. When she gave him a mild reprimand for his foolishness—and her reprimands were never other than mild—he would listen attentively and admit with a nod of his head the truth of all she said. He would even take his pipe out of his mouth as he listened, which, with Sam, was a tremendous show of deference and respect. But he would continue the uneven tenor of his ways.

I was a prime favorite with Sam and I used to look up to him as a paragon of all excellence, for did he not embody that wonderful being I so longed to grow to—a man, and a man who had sailed the seas?

Sam used to suck at his pipe and listen to my accounts of my boyish escapades with chuckles of relish. Maybe he saw in me an energy and keenness for life that he himself lacked. He never raised a hand against me and he was ever ready to make excuses for my shortcomings in spite of the remonstrances of his better half. Outside of taking on extra work or dispensing with his beer and his tobacco, Sam would have done anything in the world for me.

In his sober and contrite moments he used to hold himself up to me as a horrible example of all that a man ought not to try to grow to. At these times, he conveyed the feeling that his life would not be altogether a failure and he would not have lived in vain if the pitfalls he had tumbled into and would naturally continue to tumble into were avoided by me.

Our homes was one of the semi-respectable houses—shabby-genteel—on the high side of the street overlooking Burrard Inlet and gazing into one of the numerous lumber wharves which lay to the east of the city, just beyond the freight sheds, the cheap hotels and saloons, and the conglomerate section inhabited chiefly by Japanese and negroes.

Early one afternoon, my mother—for I had learned to call her such—was sitting by the window, sewing. I was still at the table, rounding off my mid-day meal with odds and ends, as a hungry and growing boy generally does. She looked up suddenly from her work, with a worried expression on her face as she gazed at me.

"Sonny," she said as I glanced up, "come over here; I would like to say something to you."

I rose and went to her, standing by her side and placing my arm on her shoulder, for I knew she was feeling sad over Sam.

That morning, he had seen a "Green Funnel" liner, fully loaded, push her way through The Narrows, and six hours later he had stumbled home with a grin on his face and his pockets empty. My mother had pulled off his boots and clothing and had tumbled him into bed, where he now lay, flat on his back, asleep and breathing heavily.

"If anything should happen to me, sonny," she said, "what would you do?"

"Oh, I don't know. Nothing's going to happen to you. But I guess I would just stay with Sam. He would look after me."

Strange to say, I never called Sam anything but just "Sam."

My mother sighed. "You know, Douglas, Sam was not always a heavy drinker, not until he got caught in a fire in a shipping shed in Liverpool; after that he just seemed not to care. Now Sam can't look after himself."

"Then I guess I would just have to look after him. But there isn't anything going to happen to you," I reiterated, as if in need of assurance on the point, for she set a fear in me. "We both need you too badly."

"We don't always get what we need in this world, Douglas. But I'm going to try hard so's nothing will happen for a while."

She put her arm round me and looked into my face.

"Sonny—I wish you were older and bigger," she sighed, putting her cheek against mine.

"Oh, I'm getting big!"

She smiled.

"What are you going to do when you grow up, Dougie? Mr. Gartshore says that, for all your pranks and mischief, you are a good boy at school. Your school reports tell me that too."

I thought for a moment as to what I would like to be, but had to shake my head.

"I don't know for sure what I want to be; but I guess it'll be something connected with boats and water."

"Well, if you ever have to go away and I am not here;—you see that trunk in the corner?"

I nodded.

"There is a long, tin box inside. You've seen it."

She rose and lifted the lid of the trunk, bringing out a good sized cash box. She opened it. "See—right on top is this letter and it has your name on it. I put it there, but inside of it is another letter with your name on it too. If I am not here and you have to go away, I want you to make sure that you take this with you, for it is your very own. You must never lose it. Sew it inside your coat-lining, or get somebody you can trust—somebody that likes little boys as I do—to keep it safe for you."

"What's inside?" I asked, with a boy's natural curiosity.

"I don't know all that's in it—a letter left to you by your father, I think, all sealed and not to be opened till you are twenty-two—and as it may be your father's very last message, his wish must be respected. There is also a letter in there from me to you, with a little present. I made it for your twenty-second birthday the same as the other, because maybe the one will help to comfort you a little should the other have something in it to cause you worry. It must not be opened till then—just as it says on the front. Will you remember that, Douglas?"

"Sure I will! That won't be hard to remember."

"Well—there it is, back on top of the box again, and you mustn't forget, for it might mean much to you then."

"But it is a long time to wait till I'm twenty-two," I remarked.

"Yes,—and that's why I'm telling you about it now, for lots of things can happen between the time a boy is twelve and he gets to twenty-two."

How true were her conjectures! Lots of things did happen in my case and the wonder of it is that I ever reached that seemingly tremendously old age of twenty-two.

"What is that?" she exclaimed suddenly, starting up at a noise at the window.

I ran to the front and looked out.

"Oh,—it is just Cooney. He wants me to go out."

"All right then,—off you go."

She wiped her eyes and gave me a kiss. But at the time, I hardly noticed her tears and I accepted her maternal kiss as most healthy boys do—I liked the caress and would have missed it, but getting it, I did not stop to analyze it. It was one of those intangible somethings that one thinks about only long after they have ceased.

I grabbed up my cap.

"Tell Cooney not to throw stones up at the window when he wants you. He might smash it."

"All right!"

"And Douglas——"

I stopped at the door.

"Why don't you play with some of the white boys? That blackamoor is always after you like the shadow he is."

"Oh, I play with white boys far more than I do with Cooney. But he's a nice boy—and he's terribly funny. Everybody likes him. It is just his black that's wrong with him."

She laughed, waved her hand, and I bolted down the veranda steps.

(To be Continued).

M. Goodson Up Town.

(Ravenwood Gazette).

Col. M. Goodson was down in town Tuesday, the first time in fourteen weeks. Mr. Goodson is mending nicely from his operation and will soon be in his former good health.

THE VALUE OF SAVING

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Maryville, Mo.

Closing Out Sale

As I have sold my farm and am moving to town, I will sell at the farm, 3-4 miles north of Harmony church, 2 miles south of Orrsburg, on

Tuesday, January 6th

beginning at 10 o'clock, the following described property:

12 HEAD CATTLE—9 head of milk cows, Shorthorns, some with Jersey blood; 2 suckling calves; 1 yearling heifer.

3 HEAD OF HORSES—gray mare, 9 years old, in foal to jack; weight 1400; sorrel mare, 9 years old, weight 1200; smooth mouth mare, weight 1200.

10 HEAD OF HOGS—5 head of Chester White sows, to farrow in February; 5 head of gits, will farrow in February; 30 head of shoats, will weigh from 50 to 125 pounds.

FEED—20 tons of timothy and clover mixed hay in barn; 2 or 3 tons of hay in stack. 10 or 12 tons of insilage; stack of wheat straw; 100 bushels of corn in crib; 50 bushels of oats.

IMPLEMENTS—15-16 Rock Island disc; 14-inch Rock Island gang plow; 14-inch John Deere walking plow; J. I. Case riding cultivator; New Departure walking cultivator; International go-devil; 2 section harrow; high wheeled wagon; low wheel wagon with rack; set 1½ inch harness; set 1¼ harness; stock saddle and bridle; De Lavel No. 12 cream separator; One-Minute hand power washing machine; buggy; 450-bushel slat corn crib; iron pump; feed bunk; 50 hedge posts; and other articles too numerous to mention.

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FOR SALE

LEGAL FORMS FOR SALE—the following legal forms may be had at The Democrat-Forum office: quit claim deed, house lease, deed of trust, chattel mortgage with power of sale, and general warranty deed.

FOR SALE—One tube radio set, complete at bargain. Fisher Battery Station. 8tf

New Tops and Side Curtains; door opening Curtains and winter tops. Satisfaction guaranteed. Farmers Auto Supply Co. D4-J3.

FOR SALE—Jersey cows, heifers; some fresh now, some heavy springers. Will trade for stock hogs. Joe Fogan, box 27, Reimer's Meat Market; phone Hanamo 186, Farmers 232. D21-J29

PUBLIC SALE—Tuesday, Jan. 6th, 2¾ miles southeast Ravenwood, beginning 10:30; 6 head horses; 7 milk cows; 36 head sheep from 4 years old to yearlings; Hugh Thrasher. 2*

FOR SALE—10 tons clover hay in barn. Harry Wood, Barnard. 3-6*

FOR SALE—39 Head of Ewes. Call Erl Bosch, Pickering. 1-3*

FOR SALE — Chester White thoroughbred male hog; 3 milk cows, all giving milk. Dee Callahan, west of County Farm. 3-6*

FOR SALE—One floor and Stock Rack for Truck. One 22 Winchester Rifle. Call Hanamo 74½. 1-3*

FOR SALE—Canaries; male and female, singers $3.00, female $1.00. Mrs. Jack Holt, Hanamo 5346. 1-3.

MISCELLANEOUS

MONEY TO LOAN — Joint Stock Land Bank plan on farm loans. Also city and farm real estate for sale. Ed F. Wolfert. D15-J15

ROOMS for rent—modern home. 403 West First street. D2tf

FOR RENT—Three strictly first-class modern apartments. Two of them one block from business center; better get in while getting's good. Chas. Hyslop. J10-tf

MAN, energetic and reliable, wanted for factory representative to handle our business in Maryville district; unusual opportunity, with fortune for right man; experience or capital unnecessary; write fully Syncro Motors Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

CASH paid for poultry, eggs and cream at Jack Parry's Produce. 106 East 6th street. Farmers 067. D29-J29.

LOST—Crank for Oakland car. Finder leave at Clarence Hilsenbecks at Arkoe. 31-2*

LOST—A stamped lunch cloth Wednesday on sidewalk, finder please leave at Democrat-Forum office. 1-3*

FOR RENT—7 room house at 1108 East Second. Call Hanamo 4515. 3-9

LOST—Tortoise shell glasses, Saturday morning between 216 East First street and Woolworth store. Reward. Return Democrat-Forum. 3-6

Warranty Deeds.

Warranty deeds were filed at the recorder's office today as follows:

Marie Russell, et al, to John H. McIntyre, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 7, Scott's addition to Elmo for $2,000 consideration.

James G. Skidmore and wife to William F. Bolin, lots 10, 11 and 12, block 26, Barnard for $2,500 consideration.

Tebow Guest Leaves.

Miss Gertrude Swallen, who has been visiting a schoolmate, Mrs. Frank G. Tebow, during the holidays, left this morning for Parkville, where she will visit over Sunday with her sister, Miss Mary Swallen. From there she will go to Fayetteville, Ark., to resume her work at the University of Arkansas.

Miss Alsamene King, who has been spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. King, will return to Lincoln, tomorrow where she attends the University of Nebraska.

Car Missouri coal, car Franklin county coal on track; city scale weight, Glover & Alexander. 3-6

Much Corn Shipped Into Barnard This Fall

(Barnard Bulletin)

Roy Cook, our local depot agent reports that something like fifteen carloads of corn have been shipped into Barnard in the past few weeks.

This is more corn than has been shipped into this community for some time past and is of necessity taking out of the community a large amount of money that has been left here in former years. The corn is selling around $1.25 to $1.30 on the track.

Much of the stock is being shipped out in half fat condition and is not bringing the prices that good finished stuff would bring.

There appears to be enough of hay and fodder in the country to winter cows and horses through until grass and but few are feeding for spring market.

21 Dog License Tags Sold at the City Hall

Besides all the various taxes that have to be collected at the city hall by the city collector and his office force, has been the duty of collecting dog license tax, which was due January 1. At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon twenty-one dog owners had applied for the tags, which sell for $3.

Thrift Week, Jan. 17 to 24, Will Be Observed

New York, Jan. 3.—The two hundred and eighteenth anniversary of the birthday of Benjamin Franklin, "apostle of thrift," Saturday, January 17, will be observed throughout the country as the first of seven days of emphasis upon his principles of success. The general plans were announced here today at national thrift week headquarters.

The observance of national thrift week has grown from a modest beginning in 1916 into an established program. Records of last year's observance show that the "week" was recognized in one form or another in thousands of communities in this country, and that in many communities in every state the observance was according to a program planned by representative local groups. This included, the 1924 report shows, a largely increased use of newspaper advertising space devoted to carrying to millions of readers practical inspiration as to thrifty use of their money power.

The purpose of national thrift week is to help Americans think straight about money matters. Ten steps have come to be regarded as the essentials of an allround thrifty program for the individual as follows:

Work and earn, make a budget, record expenditures, have a bank account, carry life insurance, own your own home, make a will, invest in safe securieties, pay bills promptly, share with others.

The days of the week will be designated as follows:

Saturday, January 17, "Pay Bills Day;" Sunday, "Share With Others Day;" Monday, "National Thrift Day or Bank Day;" Tuesday, "Life Insurance Day;" Wednesday, "Own Your Own Home Day;" Thursday, "Budget Day," and Friday, "Safe Investments Day."

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our friends for their kindness during the illness and death of Geo. W. Null.

Mrs. Geo. W. Null and family.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Market Report

Chicago, Dec. 3.—CATTLE—Receipts 1,100.
HOGS—Receipts 12,000.
SHEEP—Receipts 7,000.

St. Louis, Jan. 3.—CATTLE—Receipts 500.
HOGS—Receipts 6,000.
SHEEP—Receipts 150.

Kansas City, Jan. 3.—CATTLE—Receipts 400.
HOGS—Receipts 6,000.
SHEEP—Receipts 150.

St. Joseph, Jan. 3.—CATTLE—Receipts 100.
HOGS—Receipts 9,000; top $10.90.
SHEEP—Receipts 500.
Hogs 10 cents higher.

TODAY'S MARKET

Heavy Hens, lb	16c
Light hens, lb	12c
Heavy springers, lb	16c
Geese, per lb	12c
Ducks, lb	12c
Leghorn and black springs, lb	12c
Cocks, lb	7c
Butterfat, per lb	35c
Eggs, per doz	45c
Hides, per lb	7c

When the Frost Is on the Window

Communication

SUGGESTS 'POET STONE' HERE.

Editor Democrat-Forum:

I can not think of any better way of starting the "New Year" off, than by suggesting to you, and your paper, that Maryville have a Poet Stone.

I have received a number of letters from some of the world's best artists, pertaining to the legend, and each one of them had something good to say about it.

So my New Year wish will include that the folk of Maryville, especially the children, could view nature through the Poet Stone before they had read the legend of it. In this way the child would receive more of the beauty, and at the same time be informed as to how the Poet Stone is supposed to have come into existence. The legend and the Poet Stone are so closely connected in thought that the one seems incomplete without the other.

The Poet Stone, which the Park Board of Minneapolis, erected at the Falls of Minnehaha, is, in size 3½ by 4½ by 1½ inches and so set that it can be turned on the object which is the most pleasing to the eye.

The above size stone is the size that I would suggest for Maryville, the cost of which would be $35. Of course this is not the regular price of this size stone. Although I do not expect one penny of profit in this transaction, I could naturally, like for this work of Art to pay its own way.

I could send the Poet Stone and legend to you, and you could present it to the city, and at the same time publish the legend of it. It may be that this idea would appeal to the school children of Maryville and that they would be glad to contribute the above amount for the stone.

The following is a clipping from the Minneapolis Tribune about the "Poet Stone."

A "Poet Stone," the result of a poet's dream that the wondrous beauty of nature could be seen in its whole splendor and not have to be visualized through enchanting verse, Saturday was placed at Minnehaha Falls by the park board, Geoge Luther Burr of St. Paul, the author of the legend, "The Poet Stone."

The stone is a prismatic green glass placed on the side of the road overlooking the falls directly in front of the main pavilion. Hundreds of persons viewed the falls through the glass Saturday. When one looks through it the falls take on a dress of every color in the rainbow and every tree, leaf and cloud is painted in golden hues.

Mr. Burr was at Pike's Peak in Colorado last year when he conceived the idea of turning the beauty of poetry he read there into reality. The stone is a permanent fixture at the falls.

Alleged Kidnapper May Be Released

Friends of Excelsior Springs Man Hurry To His Assistance In Divorce Procedure By Wife.

Excelsior Springs, Jan. 3.—Oscar Olson, charged with the kidnapping of his divorced wife while in a hospital here, is expected to be released on a $5,000 bond when he is arraigned this afternoon by one of the most unusual procedures in court history.

By noon today, more than one hundred citizens had signed their names to his bond and scores of others were waiting to sign. Olson, through his attorneys, contends his wife's divorce was obtained by coercion of his stepfather-in-law, Charles Berry, local politician. The divorce was granted while Olson was in Minnesota, his former home.

In a petition filed yesterday, Olson's attorneys demanded that Berry be forced to explain his actions in court which, the petition alleges, "were not those of a father or a guardian."

Just Arrived—Car each Wyoming lump, Missouri lump, Franklin Co. lump, Franklin Co. egg coal. William Everhart.

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Sports

SPOOFHOUNDS TAKE OPENER

DEFEAT TARKIO CAGERS LAST NIGHT 23 TO 13.

FIRST GIRLS TEAM WIN

Girls Will Play Savannah Here Next Week While the Spoofhounds Take On College Cubs.

Exhibiting a defense which Tarkio Hi cagers could not penetrate the Spoofhound basketball team defeated its opponents on the High School court last night 23 to 13.

The game featured close guarding by both teams, extremely little real basketball class and became on the rough order on the part of both aggregations at times. One Maryville forward was sent off the floor in the last quarter by referee Sam Dubin. The gymnasium was fairly crowded for the first game of the 1925 season. The Maryville girls team, scheduled to meet the Tarkio sextet, played a preliminary game, the first team against the second, due to the fact the Tarkio girls game was cancelled. The first team defeated the second string 33 to 12.

Both the boys teams had difficulty in getting together and the first half was marked by little team work. Tarkio took the ball on the first tip off, held possession of the ball for a couple of minutes but the close guarding of Maryville prevented scoring, which held true during the entire game. A pass from Roelofson to Kissinger, with the latter running under the loop and slipping the ball through for two points started the scoring. Thomas, forward, for Tarkio, evened the count when he tossed in two free throws. Roelofson put the Spoofhounds in the lead by a free throw and the first quarter ended 3 to 2 for the local High School cagers.

The Thomas-Troxel combination for Tarkio passed the sphere down the court and Thomas heaved a long shot from the free throw line, putting the Tarks in the lead. Thomas again made several attempts for goals.

Following the Tarkio counter Roelofson and Yeary in quick succession looped the basket for points and the first half ended with Maryville increasing its lead, 9 to 4.

In the third quarter Roelofson was again the first to score. Tarkio was taking long chances at scoring, the reason was that the Maryville guards prevented the opposing forwards from getting under the mesh. Both teams were using the five-man defense. Gibson went in for Wright at forward. Thomas scored again from the center of the floor and brought the score within two points of Maryville's lead, and the third quarter ended 13 to 11.

The fourth quarter became intense. Fox Kissinger rushed the ball down the court and missed a pot shot from underneath the basket. Roelofson was also doing the same. Maryville might have scored more by less individual playing at this point. Maryville proved weak at taking the ball off the backboard. Two baskets by Kissinger, the Maryville center, one a short shot and the other from the free throw line and a basket by Roelofson and Cockayne clinched the game for Maryville.

Sam Dubin of Bedford, Ia., officiated both games and H. L. Raines was timekeeper.

The next game for the Spoofhounds will be next Friday when the College Cubs play on the local floor. At this time the Savannah girls will be here to tangle with the Maryville girls. The Maryville girls have shown a great deal of improvement in the last week. However, little can be predicted from the girls' game last night as the two teams scrimmage every day and know the style of play that each girl uses.

Coach Ebert has yet to file off the rough edges of the floor work of his regulars and instruct some of his boys in getting rid of the ball in easier fashion than exhibited last night. The Maryville offense is built around Roelofson and Kissinger. Roelofson is the most experienced player. His eye for the basket is yet off range. Kissinger is improving as the season progresses and a comparison of his playing last year with the way he is going now indicates that he "eats up" basketball every practice during the week. Yeary is all fight at guard position while Cockayne, yet a bit akward at passing the ball, does not lose any time going down the floor and these two men kept their end of the floor out of danger through the entire game with Tarkio. Practice on following the ball off the back board will be drilled next week by Ebert. The box score of the boys' and girls games last night:

Tarkio (13)	FG	FT	PF
McMillen, f	1	0	0
Thomas, f	3	2	1
Troxel, c	1	1	0
Kime, g	0	0	1
Wood, g	0	0	2
Maryville (23)	FG	FT	PF
Wright, f	0	0	1
Roelofson, f	4	1	3
Gibson, f	0	0	1
Kissinger, c	4	2	0
Cockayne, g	1	0	2
Yeary, g	1	0	1
Petty, g	0	0	0
Whites (12)	FG	FT	PF
C. Wray, f	3	3	0
Dinsmore, f	1	1	0
Todd, jc	0	0	0
Murray, rc	0	0	0
Dean, g	0	0	0
F. Wray, g	0	0	2
Blacks (33)	FG	FT	PF
Puckett, f	11	2	0
Wright, f	4	1	0
Miller, jc	0	0	2
Hildreth, rc	0	0	0
Smith, g	0	0	0
England, g	0	0	0

Maitland Defeats the Fairfax Five 40 to 11

Maitland High School cagers defeated the Fairfax quintet last night at Maitland 40 to 11. Ungles was the outstanding star and high point man of the game, caging 10 field goals.

Robidoux Loses to Maysville High 17-21

Maysville Hi five conquered one of Maryville's opponents for the season, in the form of Robidoux High School of St. Joseph at Maysville last night, 21 to 17. Bob Young was the mainstay of the Robidoux five and incidentally high point man for the game.

Lafayette Hi Easily Beats Trenton, 20-12

Lafayette High School sent an aggregation of basketball players into a game against Trenton at St. Joseph last night that more than made the Grundy County boys look sick. Lafayette won 20 to 12. Lafayette is another team that will engage Coach Harold G. Ebert's Spoofhounds this season.

Butler College Noses Out K. C. A. C. 29-28

Butler College five and the Blue Diamonds of the K. C. A. C. Club put on a replica of the game for national championship in 1924. Butler College with its captain, Griggs, in a rally in the last five minutes, overwhelmed the five point lead that the Blue Diamonds had obtained and nosed out the runners up last year by a score of 29 to 28 at the Convention Hall last night.

The K. C. A. C. line-up included at the start:

Browning, Ford, O'Burne, Sanders, Storms, Hartfelter.

Burlington Jct. and Elmo Divide Twin Bill

The High School teams of Burlington Junction and Elmo divided a double-header bill at the Burlington Junction court last night, the Burlington Junction boys winning 19 to 8 and the Elmo sextet defeating the Burlington Junction girls 32 to 18.

Strickler of Mound City officiated at both of the games.

The box score of the boys game:

Burlington Junction (19)	F.G.	F.T.
Byers, f	2	0
Ferguson, f	3	0
Rhodes, c	3	2
Hamilton, g	0	0
K. Jones, g	0	1
Manes, f	0	0
Greenelsh, g	0	0
Elmo (8)	F.G.	F.T.
Livengood, f	0	0
Abbott, f	1	0
Adkins, c	2	1
Lee, g	0	1
Phillips, g	0	0
Ward, g	0	0

The Burlington Junction boys and girls will go to Mound City next Friday to play a double header there.

ROYSTER ITEMS.

School began Monday after a happy vacation. The students are enjoying coasting this week.

Miss Ruth Finney returned Saturday night after spending Christmas vacation with her parents at Cainsville, Mo.

Miss Lois M. Thompson spent Saturday afternoon with Pauline Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Thompson and children spent Christmas day with the latter's mother, Mrs. J. E. O'Neal.

Misses Millie and Wilma Logan called at Ernest Shelton's Christmas evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Booth, and son, Jimmie, and Virgil Hamilton called at Ernest Shelton's Monday night.

Little Misses Georgia and Martha Shelton spent Thursday night with their cousin, Pauline Thompson.

Many from the district attended the funeral of Mrs. J. W. Johnson, who passed away Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Duncan spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duncan.

Miss Pauline Thompson spent Monday night at the home of her uncle, Ernest Shelton and family.

Kenneth Thompson was a Maryville visitor Wednesday morning.

Several in the district have butchered this week.

ARKOE SCHOOL NOTES.

The A and B classes have been having some interesting class debates this quarter. They have debated recently on "Resolved, That the Dog is More Useful Than the Pony on a Farm," and "Resolved, That the Girl is More Useful in the home Than a Boy." They have shown some marked ability along the line of debating.

After a week's vacation everyone seems more interested in work and have as we say more "pep" in general. We expect to accomplish much this semester.

The next literary program will be given January 23.

We have a new book case and expect to get our library classified next week.

EUDORA SCHOOL ITEMS.

School work was resumed again Monday after a week's Christmas vacation.

Miss Snyder spent her vacation with her parents in Braddyville, Ia.

Edwin Palmerton and Leona and Mildred Symmonds are still absent from school on account of sickness.

Santa Claus made his annual visit to the people in this district and everyone is satisfied till his return trip next year.

There was school on January 1.

The B class are studying King Arthur and his Knights for supplementary reading.

We are starting on the second half of the term's work. Geography will be studied in place of Hygiene by the A and B classes this semester.

Several from this neighborhood helped Willie Crane to haul hogs Wednesday.

ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL NOTES

Those admitted during the week were Mrs. Mary Corby, Chicago; Miss Blanche Hardy, Quitman; Mrs. B. C. Sowers, Clearmont; Master Raymond Sobbing, Hopkins; Alton A. Logan, Burlington Junction; Miss Grace Harris, Conway, Ia.; Master John F. Harvey, Maryville; E. Whiton, Savannah; Mrs. George Wildish, Ravenwood; Emmett Miller, Parneil. A son was born last Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cummins of Maryville.

Those dismissed were Mrs. Joe Birkenholz and infant son, Maryville; Mrs. Mary Corby, Chicago; Master Raymond Sobbing, Hopkins; Miss Grace Harris, Conway, Ia.; W. I. Gray, Ravenwood; Wray Wray, Hopkins; Mrs. C. O. Humberd, Barnard; Mrs. William Guyette, Tarkio; and Ivan Cockayne, Maryville.

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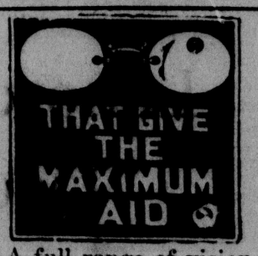

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SOCIETY NOTES

Bridge Luncheon for Visitors.

Mrs. Henry Bohm of Denver, Colo., and Miss Mary Bell of Liberty, Mo., were the complimented guests at a 1 o'clock luncheon and bridge which Mrs. Charles T. Bell, Mrs. Edward Gray and Mrs. F. P. Robinson gave this afternoon at the home of the latter on North Frederick avenue. Assisting the hostesses in receiving were Mrs. L. G. Crossan of Kansas City, Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. Theodore Robinson, Mrs. James Robinson, Jr., and Miss Virginia Robinson. The guests were served from seven small tables centered with lavender sweet peas and pink roses in crystal baskets, tied with blue tulle. The same colors prevailed in the place cards and other appointments. Other visiting guests invited were Mrs. Frank Flynn of Kansas City; Mrs. Cleav Funk of Omaha; Mrs. R. G. Sanders and Miss Marian Sanders of St. Joseph; Mrs. C. C. Dickinson of Clinton; Mrs. Court Toel and Mrs. Harold Bellows of Chicago; and Mrs. John I. Hoffman of Pittsburg, Pa. The guests numbered thirty-five.

L. I. Club.

The L. I. Club met at the home of Mrs. Clarence Pope Thursday afternoon. The new officers were installed and a short program was given. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Henry Upschulte. The following members were present: Mrs. T. D. Hornbuckle and daughter, Gladys, Mrs. Sam Bays, Mrs. Sid Ewing, Mrs. Frank Ulmer, Mrs. William Ingels, Mrs. Ida Morris and daughter, Ethel, Mrs. Carl Burk, Mrs. Loren Gillespie and daughters, Gail and Pauline, Mrs. Dell Florea and sons, Howard and Dale Stanton, Mrs. Charles Massie and daughter, Norma Lee, and Mrs. Cleo Ulmer and children, Geraldine and Robert. Mrs. Earl Pope of Maryville was a visitor. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Carl Burk January 15. Roll call will be answered by current events.

Alert Rebekah Lodge.

Mrs. Laura Murdock presided Thursday night at the first meeting of Alert Rebekah Lodge for the year 1925. Mrs. J. J. Turner, Mrs. Cy Ashford, Mrs. Harry McGinness, Miss Dessa Gault and Mrs. W. D. Williams were appointed as delegates to the meeting of the county association. The Burlington Junction lodge will be hostess to the association Tuesday night, January 8. The local Rebekahs will serve supper for the I. O. O. F County Association, which will meet here January 20. Supper will be served at the Christian Church. Mrs. Nellie Smith will install the new officers next Thursday night.

New Year's Guests.

Mrs. William Wells and Mrs. Lettie Kime entertained the following guests on New Year's day at the Wells home in Hopkins: Mr. and Mrs. Elihu Busby, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Busby of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Robb and Mrs. Ross Wells and little daughter, Lois of Hopkins. Elihu and Ed Busby are brothers of Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Kime, and cousins of Mrs. Robb.

Entertains Club.

The Thursday Afternoon Progressive Club met with Mrs. Will Strough Thursday afternoon. The afternoon was spent socially and the members held their annual New Year's exchange. Mrs. Will Bracken was received as a new member of the club. Refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Miss Flo Masters. The meeting next Thursday will be held at the home of Mrs. J. D. Bolin and roll call will be answered by newspaper clippings. The members present at the meeting Thursday were Mrs. Harry Hunt, Mrs. Marvin Bell, Mrs. J. D. Bolin, Mrs. Harry Clayton, Mrs. C. N. Johnson, Mrs. E. E. Bolin, Mrs. Williamson, Miss Ada Needles, Mrs. Harry Wamsley, and the hostess. Miss Flo Masters was a visitor.

Hosts at Duck Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Swearingen entertained with a duck dinner at their home northeast of Maryville, New Year's day. Plates were laid for Mrs. Ralph Alloway, Irene Alloway, Mr. and Mrs. Lige Grooms, and the hosts and children, Donald, Dale and Beulah Fern.

Thompson-Ward Wedding.

A pretty wedding of this afternoon was that of Miss Winifred Irene Thompson, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Thompson, and Paul L. Ward, which was solemnized at 2:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, southwest of Maryville. Dr. C. C. James of the First Methodist Church performed the single ring ceremony before an altar in the living room banked with palms, ferns and flowers. Preceding the service Miss Alice I. Ward, sister of the bridegroom, sang, "I Love You Truly." Mrs. Alma Healy, sister of the bride, played the "Lohengrin" wedding march as the bridal party entered, and during the ceremony she played Mendelssohn's Flower Song. Miss Letha Sutterfield of St. Joseph was bridesmaid and Mr. Ollie Hautzenrader of Kansas City attended Mr. Ward as best man. The bride's gown was of brown satin crepe, made on straight lines, with matching accessories. Immediately following the ceremony a luncheon was served. A green and white color scheme was used in the luncheon appointments and house decorations.

The out-of-town guests were Mrs. W. M. Ward and Miss Alice Ward of St. Joseph, mother and sister of the bridegroom; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Thompson of Amity; Miss Letha Sutterfield of St. Joseph;: and Mr. Ollie Hautzenrader of Kansas City.

For the last nine months the bride has been assistant in the junior department of the St. Joseph main library. A dinner party in her honor was given by the library employees Wednesday evening at Wachter's.

Mr. Ward has been a resident of Maryville for the last year and a half coming here from St. Joseph, and at present is connected with the Maryville Electric Light and Power Company. Mr. Ward and his bride will be at home to their friends at 221 West Eleventh street after today.

Dance at Country Club.

One of the delightful affairs of the week was the old-fashioned dance which was given last night at the Country Club. The quadrille, schottish and other popular dances of former days were featured with a five-piece orchestra playing old-time tunes. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Forysth, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sisson, Mr. and Mrs. Lauris Eek, Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Baker, Mrs. E. F. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Beattie, Miss Clara Sturm, Mrs. Frank Flynn of Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Cleav Funk of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Robinson, Dr. and Mrs. Charles T. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Richey, Miss Mary Bell of Liberty; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Leet, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Bovard, T. A. Cummins, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Costello, George McMurry, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bellows, Charles Bellows, Jr., of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lewis, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Luther A. Richman, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hellmers, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barmann, Mr. and Mrs. John I. Hoffman of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Colby, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Gillam, Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Braniger and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wolfers.

Entertains Club.

Members of the Bloomfield Needlework Club held an all-day meeting at the home of Mrs. Earl McClurg yesterday. The day was spent in quilting and dinner in cafeteria style was served at noon. The husbands of the club members will hold their annual wood chopping next Thursday for Mrs. Anna Hollensbe and Mrs. Mary Hollensbe. The clubwomen will serve the dinner. The club will meet with Misses Della and Nannie McNeal January 15 when roll call will be answered by radio station and number. The members present at yesterday's meeting were Mrs. Joe Lamport, Mrs. Bryan Hanna and son, Mrs. B. C. Clayton, Mrs. Ira Thompson, Mrs. George Hantze, Mrs. Anna Hollensbe, Mrs. Burley Swalley and son, Mrs. Marvin Carmichael and daughter, Mrs. Curtis Hull, Mrs. Jim Lett, Mrs. J. H. Hanna, Mrs. Lee Birkenholz, Mrs. Ed Hanna and children, Mrs. John McClurg, Mrs. Arthur Wray, Misses Della and Nannie McNeal, Ethelyn Hanna and Neva McClurg. Guests of the club were Mrs. Tom McClurg, Misses DeLora and Mayme McClurg, Miss Mina Harvey, Mrs. B. H. Shannon, and Alma Wray.

Club Supper at Blagg Home.

Members of the C. C. Club of the Swallow district and their families enjoyed an oyster supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edison Blagg last night. Following the supper, which was served at seven small tables, the guests played cards. The red and green colors of the holiday season were used in the house decorations. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Alva Heflin and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Heflin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Epperson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shamberger and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lyle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Busby and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Evans and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mutz and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bracken and family, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Wright, Miss Gertrude Wright, Arthur Snowberger, Grace Lee and Mary Jane McGinness, and Mr. and Mrs. Blagg and children, Billy and Betty.

W. M. Society Meets.

Sixteen members and three visitors attended the meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Christian Church at the church yesterday afternoon. The hostesses were Miss Clara Roelofson, Mrs. J. C. Clayton, Mrs. William Armstrong, Mrs. N. T. Hornbuckle, and Mrs. W. A. Townsend. Mrs. Harry Todd presided at the meeting which opened with singing of "I Love to Tell the Story," followed by prayer. The scripture lesson from Acts 2:41-47, 11:20-24, and 31:1-3 was read by Mrs. E. T. Godsey. Short talks on the subject of the afternoon were made by Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. Robert Lyle and Mrs. James Ray. The quarterly reports were given by Mrs. T. C. Coil. Plans for a pageant, to be presented soon by the society, were discussed. The February meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Vada Halley. Others on the program will be Mrs. Heifner and Mrs. Alex Holt. The hostesses will be Mrs. Belle Davenport, Mrs. Moon, Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. McDowell.

1924 Class Reunion.

The 1924 mid-year graduating class of the Maryville High School held a reunion last night at the home of Miss Gertrude Garrett on East Fourth street. The class members present were Misses Rosella Froman, Ruth Fisher, Ellen Whaley, Edna Nichols, Lucy Allen, and Burdette Yeo, Ralph Hall, Edward Tindall, George Murray, and the hostess. Letters were read from Miss Eula Marie McDonald and other out-of-town members. The evening was spent in games and prizes for high score were won by Miss Ruth Fisher and Edward Tindall. Refreshments were served at the close of the games. Assisting the hostess in entertaining were her mother, Mrs. W. O. Garrett, and Miss Rosella Froman.

Wilcox Rebekah Lodge.

About forty members attended the regular meeting of the Wilcox Rebekah Lodge last night when installation of officers was held. Mrs. Lou Livengood of Clearmont was the installing officer. The following officers were installed: Past Grand, Okalla Shackleford; noble grand, Minnie Ferguson; vice-grand, Maggie Hill; secretary, Bernice Adams; treasurer, Dora Thompson; warden, Dora Guthrie; conductor, Cora Fox; chaplain, Jennie Duncan; right supporter to noble grand, Ida Duncan; lift supporter to noble grand, Edith Ferguson; right supporter to vice-grand, Mrs. C. E. Lynch; left supporter to vice-grand, Ivaree Knisley; inside guardian, Nellie Black; outside guardian, Charles Kelley. After lodge supper was served and games and music were enjoyed.

Hosts to Knabb Club.

Mr. and Mrs. William Job, Jr., entertained members of the Knabb Country Club and their families at their home last night. Games were played at six tables and Mrs. Wilson Nicholas and O. L. Shell were prize winners. Refreshments of sandwiches, pickles, salad, cake and coffee were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Helen Strauch, Mrs. Arch Willhoyte, Mrs. Mainard Vert and Mrs. William Job, Sr. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Arch Willhoyte, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Willhoyte, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Shell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall and daughter, Vivian, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Smith and children, Earl Ross and Edith, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Nicholas and children, Alice Pauline and Junior, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. Mainard Vert and children, Willis, Wilma and Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. William Job, Sr., Mrs. Ella Trullinger, Mrs. Helen Strauch, Misses Grace Tebow, Lucile Masters, Roberta Willhoyte, and Otho Job, Amos Shell, Emery Shell and the hosts and children.

Social Hour Club.

The Social Hour Club was entertained yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. P. Scott. The meeting was called to order by the president. In response to roll call the members gave New Year's resolutions. A New Year's program was given consisting of a reading by Mrs. Robert Gumm; resolutions taken from the Bible; and guessing games. Assisting the hostess in serving a two-course luncheon were her daughters, Mary and Hazel. These members were present: Mrs. C. R. Fakes, Mrs. Floyd Fakes and daughter, Dorothy Jean, Mrs. Robert Gumm, Mrs. Leslie Hanna and son, Lloyd, Mrs. Edgar Houston, Mrs. Roy McMullen, Mrs. Merton Morris, Mrs. Will Spangler, Mrs. Rich Spurgin, Mrs. Omer Strong, Helen Strong, Mary and Hazel Scott, Edith Spangler, Freda Shanklin and the hostess. The next meeting will be held January 14 with Mrs. Will McDowell.

Hostess at Two Dinners.

Mrs. Anna Stauble was hostess at a dinner yesterday noon, entertaining as her guests Mrs. Eva Crabb of Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Jim Croy, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wamsley and Miss Mayme Heflin.

Mrs. Stauble will entertain with a 1 o'clock dinner tomorrow for Mrs. W. R. Wells, Mrs. Mary Hook, Mrs. Amelia Outs, Mrs. Emma Eckles, Mrs. Mary Herron and Mrs. Emma Heflin.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lyle will entertain with a family dinner tomorrow at their home, southwest of Maryville, for Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Lyle and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lyle.

The baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Toel of St. Joseph, born Monday, December 22, has been named Mary Jean. Mrs. Toel was formerly Miss Hildred Hanna of Maryville.

RITES FOR MRS. NANCY WALTERS HELD TODAY

Mrs. Nancy Walters, 89 years old, died Thursday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Aley in Burlington Junction with whom she had made her home for twelve years. She had been an invalid for all these years. Funeral services were held this afternoon and burial was in the Myrtle Tree cemetery.

Nancy Lee Proctor was born in Platte County, Mo., November 25, 1835. On March 22, 1859, she was married to Jonas J. Wilson. To this union six children were born, three of whom survive, Mrs. Aley of Burlington Junction, William J. Wilson of Maryville, and Coples Wilson of Pickering. Mr. Wilson died in 1878. In 1883, she was again married to Levi Walters, who died in 1891. She was a member of the Methodist Church at Pickering, having been converted more than seventy-five years ago. One sister, Mrs. Sina Ladd, also survives.

William L. Mapel, who has been visiting in Maryville, left this morning for Jamesport, Mo., to visit his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Frank J. Mapel over Sunday. Mr. Mapel will return to Columbia Monday where he is a student at the Universty of Missouri.

Misses Lillian and Katherine Carpenter, who have been spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Carpenter, left today to resume their work in the Canton, Ohio schools.

Miss Ora Eckles will return to Kansas City tomorrow morning where she teaches at Central High School, after a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eckles.

Miss Edna Dietz, who has been spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dietz returned to Sioux City, Ia., this morning to resume her work in the Sioux City schools. Miss Helen McNellis, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary McNellis, and Miss Hester DeNeen, who has been visiting her parents, also returned to Sioux City this morning where they teach.

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Trego U. P. F. A. Gives Program Tuesday

The Trego U. P. F. A. met last Tuesday night when the following program was given: Song, "In The Gloaming;" reading of the minutes; roll call; recitation, Ivan Keller; song, Virginia Curry; dialogue, "Good Bye," Elizabeth Keller and Mary Margaret Lyle; song, "Away In the Manger," John Edward Lyle; recitation, Lonnie Pittsenberger; reading, Lee Jesse; and orchestra music. A Christmas exchange was held and refreshments consisting of sandwiches, pickles and coffee were served. The next meeting on January 13 will be in charge of the men of the M. F. A. The program committee includes Wilmer Clayton, Ernest Stafford and Harry Hunt; and the refreshment committee, Boon Clark and Marvin Keller.

Halls Return From Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hall and daughter, Crystal, returned today from a week's visit at Wellington and Arkansas City, Kan., and Webb City, Okla. At the latter place they were guests of Mr. Hall's sister, Mrs. E. W. Sullivan. Miss Abbie Bel Colden of Denver, Colo., a niece of Mrs. Hall, is a week-end guest at the Hall home.

Miss Sohner Leaves.

Miss Jean Sohner, the holiday guest of Miss Ruth Bookman, left this afternoon for her home in Moline, Ill.

Files Suit on Note.

A suit on a note was filed this afternoon by the Clarinda National Bank against Willis A. Sawyers, et al.

Miss Gladys Alexander of Portland, Ore., and Newton Alexander of Charleston, N. C., and their mother, Mrs. J. H. Alexander, will go to Elmo this evening to visit for a few days with Mrs. Alexander's son, Rolla Alexander. Miss Alexander will return to Portland within a few days and Mr. Alexander will return to his home. Mrs. Alexander will make her home with her son, Rolla Alexander, at Elmo.

Mrs. Ella Kiddoo of Henrietta, Mo., who has been visiting her son, Earl Kiddoo, and family, for a week, will leave Monday for her home.

Dr. and Mrs. Fred Keller and children returned home last night after a visit in Arkansas and Southern Missouri.

Charles F. Ward to Board of Curators

Member of Board of Regents of Maryville Named to M. U. Board by Governor Hyde.

Jefferson City, Jan. 3.—Governor Hyde yesterday morning announced the appointment of four members of the board of curators of the University of Missouri, renaming two of his old appointees and appointing two members for Sam A. Baker, governor-elect. The governor said Baker had agreed to the other appointments.

The two new members of the board are Charles F. Ward of Plattsburg, Mo., Democrat, whose term will expire January 1, 1927. Ward succeeds George L. Edwards, Republican, resigned. Mercer Arnold of Joplin, Republican, was appointed for the same term to succeed Perlee Burton, formerly of Joplin. Burton resigned when he moved from Joplin to St. Louis.

The governor reappointed Judge James E. Goodrich of Kansas City, Republican, for a term ending January 1, 1931, and H. J. Blanton, Democrat, editor of the Paris Appeal, for the same term.

Charles T. Orr of Webb City, a Democrat, was appointed a member of the board of managers of the bureau of geology and mines for a term ending May 22, 1925, to succeed John P. Connell, resigned. Orr was recommended by the other members of the board, it was said.

Two members of the board of agriculture, also were announced. Adolphus Boecklor of St. Louis, Republican, was appointed on the recommendation of the governor-elect for a term ending January 4, 1929, to succeed M. J. Hylan. Boecklor will represent the eleventh district. W. E. Leach of St. Louis, Republican, was reappointed from the twelfth district for a term ending January 4, 1929.

Charles F. Ward of Plattsburg has been a member of the board of regents of the State Teachers College here. His term was out this month. The term of True D. Parr of Hamilton as a member of the board of regents also expires this month.

Miss Blanche Fryar and Leland Fryar of Ravenwood were Maryville visitors today.

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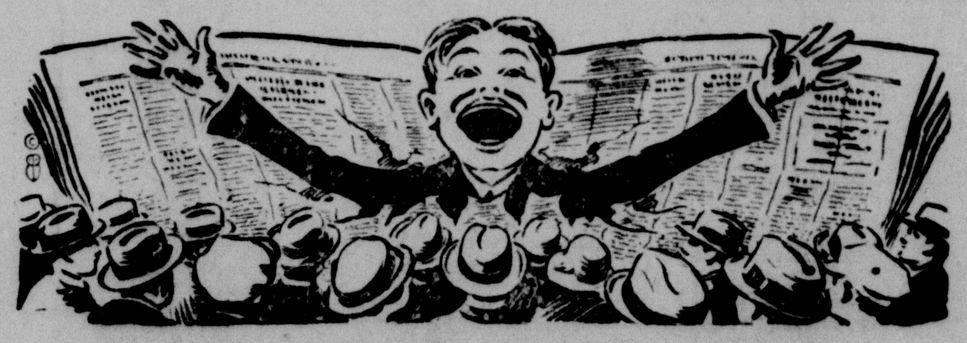

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DEANS MEET AT EVANTSON

CONFERENCE HELD ON COURSES OF STUDY.

DR. JAMES PRESENT

Methodist Minister Returns Home —Sessions Conducted By General Conference Commission.

The meeting of the Deans of the Summer Schools of Theology, held at Evanston, Ill., December 30 to January 1, conducted by the General Conference Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on courses of study was well attended.

Dr. C. C. James, pastor of the First M. E. Church, was present at this meeting. He returned home last night.

Dr. Allan MacRossie the educational director, presided. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of the Chicago Area, the president of the commission, was at meeting and spoke several times. The various speakers were the Deans of Summer Schools held all over Methodism. Such themes were discussed as, "Written Work of the Course," being a correspondence course conducted by the Board of Examiners. A very interesting address was given on the "Graduate Schools," in which a post-graduate course is prepared and offered to those that have been graduated from the regular course of study which is being pursued by some two thousand men over Methodism. Dr. H. F. Rall of Garrett Biblical Institute in whose building the sessions were being held spoke on "The Values of the Courses of Study." Another paper of interest was "The Board of Examiners as a Recruiting Agency."

The last forenoon session of the meeting was given over to the discussion of the "Spirit of Worship," in the following papers. "The Spirit of Worship in the Holy Communion." "Worship in the Reading of the Scriptures." "Worship in Singing", "Worship in Prayer," and "Worship in the Sermon." After some discussion of these themes the meeting adjourned at the close of an address by Bishop Hughes.

A banquet was given at the University Club building in Evanston, Ill. at which Dr. W. S. Bovard of Chicago and Paul Hutchison, of the "Christian Century" spoke and he was followed by Bishop Hughes and others.

Issues Call for Bank Statements

Washington, Jan. 3.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for the condition of national banks as of the close of business December 31.

To Hold Meetings in Washington and Grant

Farm Bureau Plans 5 Meetings in These Townships During the Coming Week.

Five Farm Bureau meetings will be held next week, preceding the solicitation of memberships, in Grant and Jefferson townships. The meetings that were announced this morning at the Farm Bureau office for next week will be held at the following schools:

Monday, January 5.—Barnard.

Tuesday, January 6.—Fairview school.

Wednesday, January 7.—Jefferson school.

Thursday, January 8.—Guilford school.

Friday, January 9.—Lincoln school.

J. Ross Fleetwood, county agent, said this morning that there has been good attendance at all the meetings held this week. At the meeting last night John Evans, former president of the Nodaway County Farm Bureau, spoke and Mr. Fleetwood showed two reels of motion pictures.

The membership drive has been somewhat hampered in that the solicitors have been unable to get out over the townships where the meetings have been held.

Leave for Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bellows and daughters, Helen Marie and Marjorie, of Chicago left this afternoon for their home after a holiday visit with Mrs. Bellows' father, J. R. Brink, and her sister, Mrs. R. P. Hosmer, and family.

Mrs. C. O. Lyle and son, Jack, of Omaha, who have been spending the holidays with Mr. Lyle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Lyle, will return home tonight.

First Notice of Taxes Sent Out

Income tax returns were being received by Maryville people today.

The first notices that the tax would be due were mailed out of the Kansas City office yesterday, but the final date of payment of the tax is not until March 15. The tax may be paid at time of filing the return, or in four equal installments.

A return must be filed by every citizen having a net income last year of $1,000 or more, if single or if married and not living with husband or wife, and if married and living with husband or wife, $2,500 or more.

Under the new law, the tax is reduced this year to 2 per cent on the first $4,000. Last year it was 4 per cent. An exemption of $400 a year for each child under eighteen years of age is allowed.

WILL RESUME WORK ON ROAD

TO BE UNDER WAY ABOUT WEDNESDAY OF NEXT WEEK.

SOUTH HIGHWAY OPEN

Traffic Is Now Routed Direct Over State Road Instead of Using Detour Route To Arkoe.

After a delay of several weeks, due to unfavorable weather conditions, work on the north state road between Maryville and Burlington Junction will be resumed next week, probably Wednesday, F. M. Starr, in charge of the work, said this morning.

Approximately four hundred cubic yards of gravel have already been laid on the road. With favorable weather conditions, it is estimated that approximately 175 cubic yards can be laid per day, and that about one hundred working days will be required to complete the entire project.

With the resumption of the work next week, the gravel will be piled along the side of the right-of-way and will be put on the road when conditions permit.

Although only a few men are now employed on the north project, it is thought that the force will be enlarged to fifty workmen when the road construction work gets under full swing.

On account of the freezing temperatures, the gravel cannot be put on the road so that it will "set" properly.

With the announcement today of the resumption of work next week comes the information that the south state road, between Maryville and St. Joseph, has been opened up to traffic all the way. For the last several months traffic has been routed by the way of the Arkoe road but now motorists can go straight through on the state highway.

Two Cases for April Term of Court Filed

Two cases were filed in circuit court yesterday afternoon for the April term of court.

A partition suit was filed by Fred Grimit against Jordon C. Grimit, et al.

Thomas F. Buzzard et al filed a damage suit against Watson Richie, claiming in his petition fradulent representation on the part of the defendant in a real estate deal. The plaintiff is seeking to recover damages to the extent of $1,600 and costs.

STARTING TODAY!

"Gordon of the Lost Lagoon," a story full of the tang of the sea and the bewitching beauty of the islands in the Gulf of Georgia, written in a manner to please the kiddies as well as the grown-ups, starts in today's issue of the Democrat-Forum, and will continue for about four weeks.

A flavor of Huckleberry Finn is in the early chapters of this story of a waif of the Vancouver docks. Despite the roughness of the life he encounters as a little wharf rat, Douglass Gordon, with good humor and good luck, pushes his way through difficulties with quiet courage.

See page two of today's issue of the Democrat-Forum.

DR. MARTIN IS NEW R.C. HEAD

EXECUTIVE BOARD HOLDS ORGANIZATION MEETING

MISS TURNER RETAINED

Other Officers of Board Elected and Appointed—Honorary Members are Named

Dr. Vilas Martin was elected chairman of the Nodaway County Red Cross chapter executive board at an organization meeting last night at the Red Cross rooms. R. P. Hosmer was the chairman of the executive board last year.

It was the first regular meeting of the newly elected board. The members present at the meeting were Dr. Vilas Martin, John Mutz, Mrs. J. J. Heifner, Miss Clara Sturm, Mrs. L. E. Ziegler and W. N. Deatherage.

The board elected from its member John Mutz as vice-chairman of the board for this year. W. N. Deatherage was re-elected secretary. Miss Betty Turner was re-appointed executive secretary of the Red Cross chapter of Nodaway County for this year. Other appointive officers named last night are:

Home Service chairman, M. E. Ford; Disaster Relief chairman, L. M. Eek; Nutrition chairman, Mrs. L. M. Eek; Braille chairman, Mrs. J. J. Heifner; Publicity chairman, Miss Clara Sturm; Volunteer Service chairman, Mrs. W. J. Montgomery; and Junior Red Cross chairman, Miss Catherine Remus.

The honorary members elected to the executive board at the meeting last night are:

Uel W. Lamkin, president of the Northwest Missouri State Teachers College; L. E. Ziegler, superintendent of Maryville Public Schools; Dr. C. P. Fryer; the Rev. Father Placidus; Jack Pennington, commander of the Seth Ray David Post Veterans of the Foreign Wars; Dr. C. T. Bell, vice-president of the James Edward Gray Post of the American Legion; and Harry Snyder, commander of the Theodore Roosevelt post of the Spanish American War Veterans.

The executive board decided to hold meetings the first Thursday night of each month.

To Repeal Censorship on Motion Pictures

New York Legislature Expected to Give Public Officials Complete Control of All Film Productions.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 3.—The law creating a motion picture censorship commission will be repealed by the Republicans at the coming session of the Legislature, it was learned today from sources close to Republican leaders. In place of the censorship commission, the Republicans will enact a measure amending the penal law giving public authorities complete control of motion pictures and films.

German Government Still Without Cabinet

Chancellor Marx Reports to President Ebert That Centrist Party is Insisting Upon Coalition

Berlin, Jan. 3—Germany on Monday will have a new legislative body in session without a cabinet to direct the government's policies. This situation was made evident today when Chancellor Marx again reported to President Ebert that he could not form a new cabinet. The reason, he said, was that the Centrist party is insisting upon a coalition which would include the Social Democrats.

Elsie and Her Lover are Denied New Trial

Judge Overrules Motions of Mrs. Sweetin and Hight and Sentences Them to Penitentiary.

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Jan. 3.—Judge Kearn today overruled the motion for a new trial filed by Mrs. Elsie Sweetin and her "love" the Rev. Lawrence Hight, unfrocked minister of Ina, who were convicted of poisoning Wilford Sweetin, one of the obstacles to their union. The court then sentenced Hight to spend the remainder of his life at Chester, Ill., and Mrs. Sweetin to Joliet for thirty-five years.

J. W. Borrusch of Omaha and a former resident of Maryville is a business visitor here today.

FIRST CUPID VICTIM IN 1925

Every January there is the first marriage license to be issued at the Recorder's office in Maryville. As it happens this year Cupid inveigled one unsuspecting 6 foot man by the name of Paul Ward of Maryville to bring his prospective bride, Miss Winifred Irene Thompson, also of Maryville, to the Recorder's office this morning, to take out the first marriage license to be issued here this year.

And thereby hangs a tale. It is retrospective:

What atmosphere prevails at the stucco home of O. W. Swinford, 221 West Third street, has not been divulged. But the facts are that within the bounds of fourteen months, three male citizens of this peaceful town, who have made their home with Mr. and Mrs. Swinford, have decided to tear away from the life of single bliss and be harnessed into the double shafts. These three men are in the order of departure from the Swinford home:

Clarence Vogt.

M. E. Ford, and the last,

Paul Ward.

The magic of the enchanted chair at Perrin Hall, now occupied by Dr. H. L. Stinson, and the influence exerted at the Swinford home, should be made known. There is yet one young man of impeachable reputation still living at 221 West Third street and goes by the name of Steele McIntyre. Will he be the next?

POST OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED

G. A. R. AND W. R. C. HAVE A MEETING.

PUCKETT HEADS VETS

Mrs. Hattie Puckett Is Also Installed as President of Women's Organization—Banquet Is Served.

A joint installation of officers of Sedgwick Post No. 21, G. A. R., and the W. R. C., No. 42, was held this morning and the officers-elect for the ensuing year were installed by Charles Hyslop, senior past commander. The officers of the Sedgwick Post are: T. J. Puckett, commander; A. M. Howard, senior commander; T. Y. Neal, junior commander; W. H. Hudson, adjutant; J. G. Grems, quartermaster; J. R. Croy, surgeon; J. H. Sayler, chaplain; Charles Hyslop, patriotic instructor; A. R. Souers, officer of the day; Steve Martin, officer of the guard; J. W. Herren, Q. M. S.

The officers of the W. R. C. installed were: Mrs. Hattie Puckett, president; Mrs. Frances Foland, senior vice-president; Letitia Allen, junior vice-president; Henrietta Lahr, chaplain; Lena Ruddell, treasurer; Minnie E. Farrar, conductor; Fidella Gearhart, guard; Mrs. Belle Frankum, secretary; and Dora Eckert, Mary Herron, Amelia Outs, Minnie Haist, color bearers.

After the installation service, a banquet was served at the Jack Pennington restaurant.

Son of Representative Is Reported Killed

Macon, Mo., Jan. 3.—Finis Crawford, son of Al Crawford, state representative from Macon County and vice-president of the Missouri Farmers Union, was killed in an automobile accident at Crawford, four miles south of La Platte, this afternoon, according to word received here.

Fraternity House at K. U. Burns Today

Pi Kappa Alpha Loss Is Estimated At $40,000 Which Does Not Include Students' Artticles.

Lawrence, Kan., Jan. 3.—The Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity house at the University of Kansas was destrayed by fire today with an estimated loss of 40,000, only partially covered by insurance. Thousands of dollars worth of clothing and students' effects were not included in the estimate. The fire started in the top floor of the house and was supposedly started by a fire left in the house by a student acting as caretaker.

STANDS FIRM ON PAYMENTS

BRITAIN INSISTS UPON FRENCH REPARATIONS.

LEAVES U. S. FREE

American Government Can Act As It Wishes, England Points Out In Its Latest Note to Washington.

London, Jan. 3.—Great Britain will stand firm in its policy that France in liquidating its war debts shall pay to England sums equal to those France pays to the United States.

This viewpoint has been "informally communicated" to the United States government, the British foreign office announced today. The attitude of Britain has not been communicated to France or Italy, it was said.

Great Britain does not object to the United States making what terms it likes with France, it was emphasized, but Britain holds it is free to complete arrangements with France independent of terms the United States may make.

Mike Maher Burned by Alcohol Igniting

Mike Maher, a mechanic at the Arnold-Strong Motor Company, was severely burned yesterday evening when some alcohol ignited. Maher lighted a match and held it over a radiator so as to determine how much water and alcohol was in the tank. The engine of the car had been running and the steam of the alcohol exploded. Maher suffered severe burns about the face and eyes and his hair was badly singed.

"Never again will I hold a match over the top of a radiator," was Maher's only comment on the accident.

Gertrude Horton Heads Alumni Association

An alumni association of the Ravenwood High School was organized December 27 at the schoolhouse. The meeting was called at that time as there was a number of graduates home for the holidays. Gertrude Horton was elected president, Eldon Steiger, vice-president, and Mildred Hubbell secretary-treasurer. It is planned to have a homecoming at the high school this spring.

Lee Bridge Is Being Repaired by Randall

Bridge Northeast of Maryville Has Been in Bad Shape Due to Heavy Hauling.

Work was started this morning on making some repairs on the Lee bridge, northeast of Maryville, by W. W. Randall with a gang of three workmen. The piers on the west part of the bridge were in bad shape due to the heavy hauling over the bridge and had become such that the bridge was in bad shape.

Gallaghers File An Attachment Suit Today

An attachment suit was filed in the circuit court today for the April term of court by Mary E. and John J. Gallagher against I. D. Owens. The plaintiffs are suing for $1,400 at 8 per cent interest and costs and ask that attachment may be issued against defendants on all of the crops grown for the year 1924.

Dr. and Mrs. James Return.

Dr. C. C. James returned last night from Chicago, where he has been attending the annual meeting of Deans of the Summer Schools of Theology which was held December 30 to January 1. He was accompanied home by Mrs. James, who has been visiting his brother, the Rev. Frank James, and family at Marceline, Mo., during his absence.

Emmett Miller Very Ill.

Emmett Miller of Parnell is very ill at St. Francis hospital following an emergency operation at 5 o'clock this morning for appendicitis. He was brought to the hospital during the night.

O. E. Goforth of Canton, Ill., will start work Monday at the Bee Hive shoe store as shoe repairer.

Mrs. Helen Journey Is Denied Divorce

All Concerned in Case of Former M. U. Professor Is Cleared by Judge—Cross-Bill Under Advisement.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Mrs. Helen Journey, wife of Professor Journey of North Carolina College of Agriculture, and formerly of the University of Missouri, was today denied a divorce. Everyone concerned in the case was cleared by Judge Sabath. Professor Journey's cross-bill was taken under advisement of the court until January 13.

Meantime, Mrs. Journey retains custody of the children of her husband who must continue to pay her $125 a month. Judge Sabath said he did not believe Mrs. Journey had improper relations with Oscar Harman, law student and boarder in her home. He called Harman before him and advised him to get another rooming place.

BIGGEST TAX WEEK KNOWN

POLK TOWNSHIP COLLECTIONS SURMOUNT ALL PRECEDENT

IS MORE THAN $52,000

City Hall Has Been Scene of Bustling Activity Since Monday Morning—$25,000 In One Day.

Polk township tax collections this week have surmounted any previous week since taxes have been collected, is the belief of George H. Meek, Polk township assessor, and Mrs. Bess Thorp, Polk township collector. Not counting the collections today more than $52,000 has been paid in for Polk township taxes for the year 1924, since Monday morning.

Wednesday, December 31, was biggest day of the week when more than $25,000 was paid over the table at the city hall to Mrs. Bess Thorp. Yesterday comes next in amount of collections for any one day since collections commenced November 14, when $14,162 was paid by Polk township tax payers.

Out of the approximately $415,000 that was assessed in Polk township to be collected there yet remains approximately $18,000 which will become delinquent Monday morning, January 5. At this time the penalty of 1 per cent will be added, and there will be no "if's, and's, but's or why-fors," Mr. Meek said this afternoon.

Since November the township collector for Polk township has received approximately $127,000. There is a much smaller amount of delinquent taxes this year to be collected than there was last year at the same time, Mrs. Thorp said this afternoon.

At this time last year $108,000 was collected in Polk township taxes. This means that $19,000 more was paid in during the two collection months of November and December, 1924, than during the same months in 1923.

The city hall has been a scene of activity extended to the highest pitch this week. Tax payers came in starting on Monday morning in an effort to get their taxes paid before the first of the year, both for the city and Polk township taxes. The business increased on Tuesday and on Wednesday the collectors were completely swamped. In fact there were many tax payers who could not be waited on and many of these just left blank checks on the desk of the township collector so the receipts could be filled out when the collectors could get to it.

Class Day Exercises to Be Held on Monday

Program by the Mid-Year Graduating Class of the Maryville High School for Exercises Announced.

Class day exercises by the mid-year graduating class of the Maryville High School will be held at 10 o'clock next Monday morning in the High School auditorium.

The program that has been prepared for class day exercises:

Piano solo—Verlea James.

Reading—Mary Elizabeth Jones.

Cello solo—Lucille Gaugh.

Reading—Olive Ewing.

Piano solo—Audrey Stiwalt.

Class will.

Vocal duet—Lucile and Audrey Stiwalt.

Class prophecy.

Piano solo—Marvin Westfall.

ASKS LAW TO STOP SLANDER

WOULD PROHIBIT "WHISPERING CAMPAIGN."

APPROVES POSTAL BILL

Coolidge Favors Compromise Measure Adopted by Postoffice Committee as Substitute for Increased Rates.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Legislation designed to protect the memory of the Presidents of the United States against "malicious defamation" or "slander" was introduced in the House today by Representative Reed, Republican of Illinois. Along with it, Reed introduced a resolution calling for a Congressional investigation to determine "the truth or falsity of some of the allegations now appearing in a weekly magazine series of articles on Woodrow Wilson, written by a woman."

Washington, Jan. 3.—President Coolidge today approved the compromise postal rate bill drafted by the joint postal committee of Congress. His approval of the lower rates adopted after newspaper publishers had protested against the proposed increases was voiced to Senator Moses, Republican of New Hampshire, chairman of the committee of the special sub-committee which held hearings on the postal bill.

Fascist Government Sets Up Censorship

Italy's Internal Dissention Flares Up Higher Again Today With More Raids by Black Shirts.

London, Jan. 3.—There were evidences today that the Fascist administration has set up a censorship on outgoing news concurrent with the campaign of the suppression of newspapers with anti-Fascist tendencies.

Pisa, Italy, Jan. 3.—Italy's internal dissention flared higher again today with an outbreak of Fascist here. The Black Shirts raided the Masonic lodge and then attacked a printing plant, devastating it and burning the supply of paper. Several prominent politicians were manhandled by the mob and their homes ransacked.

Rome, Jan. 3.—There is no such thing as a Fascist cheka, or secret political society, operating in Italy, Premier Mussolini declared today in the Chamber of Deputies. He said that he had not authorized such a policy and that it would be impossible as well as "idiotic" to organize one. He told the deputies that he was appealing for pacification of his country and had no intention of resorting to violence.

K. U. Students Threaten to Quit University

Chancellor E. H. Lindley Calls General Mass Meeting for Monday Morning—Expected to Urge "Peace."

Lawrence, Kan., Jan. 3.—With the revival this afternoon of talk of a student walk-out if the dismissal of Chancellor E. H. Lindley of the University of Kansas by Governor Jonathan M. Davis in the hearing Monday, officials of the University called a general meeting of the student body for Monday morning several hours before the time set for the hearing on the temporary injunction obtained by the Chancellor. It is understood that the Chancellor will urge the students to avoid any demonstration during the court procedure.

College to Commence on Tuesday Morning

Regular class work will again start at the State Teachers College on Tuesday morning, January 6. The Christmas holiday vacation has extended from December 19.

Bearcat basketball practice has been continued through the vacation period by H. Frank Lawrence, coach. The Cub team and the Kittycats will start basketball practice on Tuesday afternoon.

The Residence Hall will open Monday.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair tonight and Sunday; not much change in temperature, lowest tonight about 18.

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN NODAWAY COUNTY.

PLAIN BRUTALITY.

Because he was a hero and fought bravely in the war, England gave him her highest decoration.

Because it is not true that "nothing can be too good for the boys when they come back," after the war is over, he fell on evil days and lost his decoration in a pawnshop.

Because this jobless man, no longer a hero, could not bear that his baby should not have its Christmas, he forged a check and was sent to jail.

Thus far it is the usual way of the world. When wars are over the heroes fade from the picture. When laws are violated there is no immunity for those who fought to make laws live.

But—and here is where society is wrong—when the baby was at the point of death the half-crazed father was refused permission to see it. That was bad enough. But worse—when the baby died, authority sternly set its jaw and refused to let the man who earned the highest decoration attend the funeral. And that was brutal!

A little of the season's spirit of humanity would have helped. Happily, such cruelty is rare enough to make this case stand out.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Have you noticed the difference? This is 1925.

All aboard now for a big year in Maryville. Let's make this the banner year for this town.

Government investigation shows that only one man in ten makes a practice of purchasing the family meat. It also shows that the women doing the purchasing do not, as a rule, make a study of the merits of the different cuts of meat. On an average they are familiar with only two or three steaks and less than one roast. This means that there is great extravagance in buying. Where practically all the people want the same cuts, the butcher must make these cuts pay for the whole animal.

The Supreme Court of Missouri has upheld the automobile registration law and declares the sale of an automobile is illegal unless the buyer presents the secretary of state, within a certain number of days, a certificate of ownership for transfer. Under this decision all persons in the state, who have purchased used cars or new cars, without obtaining a new certificate from the secretary of state, after the transfer, are not legally the owners of their cars. The decision specifically holds that transfer of a bill of sale does not comply with the requirements of the law.

Fifty Years Ago

(Taken from the Nodaway Democrat, Jan. 7, 1875.)

A wagon crossed the Missouri River going east, the other day, with myriads of grasshoppers painted on the cover, and bearing the inscription:

Good-bye, Kansas,
I bid you adieu;
I may emigrate to h——l,
But never back to you.

The Courthouse—the second-story inside portion is undergoing repairs. It will be renovated generally, and it needs it badly.

An extensive fire broke out last Wednesday night at Bedford, Taylor County, Iowa, burning a row or block of buildings west of the Bedford House.

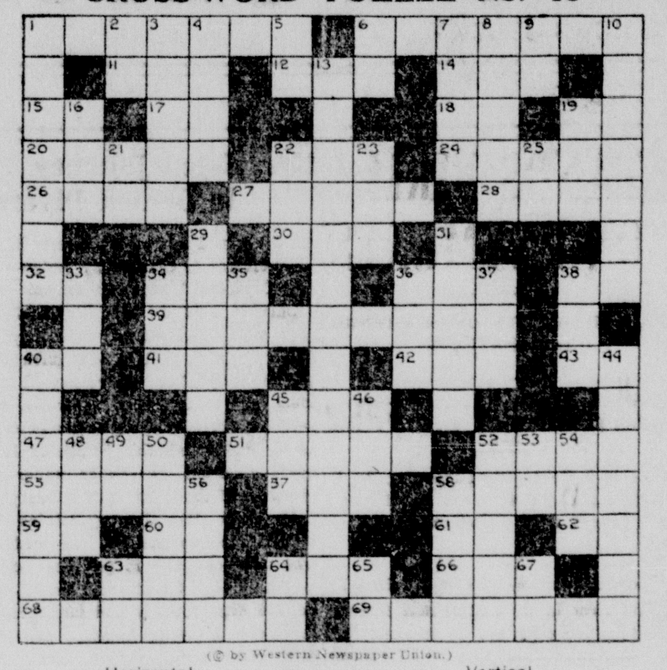
John Hanson has leased the west room, first floor, of Baker, Saunders and Co.'s bank building, and will remove his shoe-shop some time this month.

Dr. Mulholland has now opened up and ready for business in his new drug store in the Baker Block. Read his local under the heading, "Ready for Business."

The thermometer on last Tuesday morning indicated thirteen below zero.

Fisher, Jackson & Co., are now having built by Gile and Southwell one of the finest bank counters we have ever seen. It will soon be finished and placed in position in their banking house, where all will have an opportunity to see it.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 15



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Horizontal.

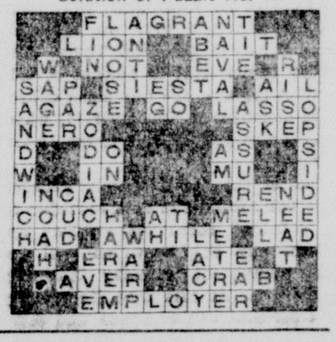
1—Portion
6—Dappled
11—Implore
12—Suffix denoting morbid condition of some part
14—Soft drink
15—Personal pronoun
17—Note of musical scale
18—Not out
19—Like
20—A bay window
22—Greek letter
24—Misanthrope
26—Receptacle for flowers
27—Cut
28—Only
30—Mischievous child
32—Means of transportation (abbr.)
34—Past
36—Body of water
38—Near
39—Villainous
40—Impersonal pronoun
41—Insect
42—Domesticated ox
43—Printer's measure
45—Electrical unit of resistance
47—Small body of land surrounded by water
51—Cry of pain
52—Clothe
55—Impedes
57—Founded (abbr.)
58—Boredom
59—Suffix forming adjectives
60—Pertaining to
61—Musical note
62—College degree
63—Fold of cloth
64—Doctrine
66—Unit of work
68—Depot
69—Shell lined with mother-of-pearl

Vertical.

1—Russian urn
2—British empire (abbr.)
3—Pray
4—The same as (obs.)
5—Toward
6—Note of musical scale
7—Narrative poem
8—European rabbits
9—Mess duty in army (initials)
10—Degradation
13—Change of form or substance
16—Period of time
19—Indisposition
21—Exists
22—Nickname of eastern university
23—Viper
25—Negative
29—Deputy
31—One who holds a land tenure (Scot.)
33—Decay
34—Collection of books or information
35—Frequently (poetic)
36—Chinese sauce
37—Inquire
38—Forever
40—Slender mass of ice (pl.)
44—To act as a mediary
45—Native metal
46—Pad
48—Crafty
49—Behold!
50—Species of heron
52—Knot in wood
53—Preposition
54—To smear
56—Prefix denoting half
58—Greek school philosophy
63—Short laugh or exhumation
64—Preposition
65—Parent
67—Proceed

The solution will appear in next issue.

Solution of Puzzle No. 14.



After the closing of the services of the M. E. Sabbath School, North, on last Sunday, Judge Alderman, for the last year superintendent of the school, was made the happy recipient of a beautiful and costly book, the gift of the scholars and teachers of his school. The book was presented to the superintendent by J. E. Laffer with appropriate remarks, the Judge responding in a pleasant and well-worded five-minute speech, thanking the school for its token of affection and esteem.

J. L. Hepburn, one of the wide-awake and intelligent citizens of Independence township, called on us last Tuesday, he being a delegate to the meeting of the County Board of Directors of schools, which met in Maryville on the 5th inst. Mr. Hepburn has been for the past three years the assessor of Independence township, and turned over, on last Tuesday, to County Clerk Jackson one of the neatest sets of books we have ever seen. Mr. Hepburn reports Independence township in a most thriving condition. A large number of fine and costly farm houses have been erected there this past year and improvements are going on in every portion of the township. We hope that Mr. Hepburn will find it convenient to call on us whenever in Maryville.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

The ladies of the First Baptist Church have arranged an Inter-Denominational Knitting Contest to be held Friday night, January 6, at the First M. E. Church for the benefit of their building fund. Men and women of all denominations are eligible to this contest. Men will be allowed a handicap of twenty stitches. Knowing the tendency of a knitter to keep his or her face in motion, the committee on rules and regulations insist that the contestants shall observe Rule 40, that all knitters shall keep their faces in repose. The contestants are: Mrs. W. R. Wells, Mrs. I. W. Nixon, Mrs. J. E. Melvin, Mrs. A. J. Anderson, Mrs. Joseph Binter, Mrs. L. Goblet, Mrs. W. C. Frank, Mrs. George W. Turner, Mrs. F. M. Martin, Mrs. R. H. Perry, Miss Mina Armstrong, Miss Sarah McCoy, W. F. Smith, J. E. Melvin and Napoleon B. Lamar. The judges will be Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Mrs. H. A. Denton, Mrs. R. L. Thompson, Mrs. C. E. Kircher, Mrs. Frank Anderson, Mrs. Nick Sturm, Mrs. C. J. Alderman.

W. E. Goforth, formerly in the employ of the Burlington here, but later their agent at Fairfax, Mo., has been named as the successor of J. C. Johnson as agent at Maryville, and will take charge here in a few days. The appointment of Mr. Goforth will give good satisfaction.

Mrs. D. J. Howell, the milliner, is now occupying the north side of the Gillam building.

The marriage of Miss Ella Belle Miller, daughter of Mrs. J. B. Miller, to Dr. Clarence E. Cox took place at the home of the bride's mother on South Buchanan street last Wednesday evening, December 28. The groom is a dentist of Fairfax.

The new county court held a session Tuesday. It is composed of Judges W. T. Jackson, W. T. Conlin and M. W. Staples. George S. Miller, the new surveyor, has appointed James K. Young deputy bridge commissioner.

The Maryville Seminary has secured Dr. William A. Quayle to deliver the opening address for the winter at the First M. E. Church Thursday evening, January 5.

J. C. Johnson was presented with a fine Morris chair last Sunday evening at the Epworth League meeting by the members of North M. E. Epworth League. He has been president of the League for some time. Mr. Johnson left Tuesday for Burlington, Ia., where he becomes traveling freight agent.

Carl Murray of Maryville and Miss Rose Kemp, who for some time was employed in Bishoff's photograph gallery, were married at her parent's home near Creston, Ia. Mr. Murray is the only son of Theodore Murray of Maryville.

Null Estate Probated.

The estate of the late George W. Null, who died December 29, 1924, was probated yesterday. All of the property, both personal and real estate is left to the wife, Mrs. G. W. Null. This morning Judge Jesse F. Robertson of the Probate Court appointed two sons Orlin G. Null of Pickering and George Hubert Null of Maryville as executors of the estate.

Just Arrived—Car each Wyoming lump, Missouri lump, Franklin Co. lump, Franklin Co. egg coal. William Everhart.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

"Gordon Of The Lost Lagoon"

by Robert Watson

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CHAPTER ONE.

"It must be bred in the bone, boy, or it wouldn't be there; but I'd give a lot to know who your folks were."

That was the limit of any reprimand I ever received from my kindly old foster-mother, Sarah Berry, when she would gasp at finding me off the end of the mill wharf, naked as on the day I was born, astride a log in the Inlet, paddling as for dear life and in deadly combat with a nigger-boy playmate who was bearing down on me astride an enemy craft in the form of another log belonging to the Northern Pacific Mills.

She would ask big Forbes, the wharf foreman, to chase us home any time he found us there again, and he would agree to do so but would forget his promise and laugh to himself as he thought how humble our log-rolling performance had been compared with the one he had seen us at just before the anxious old lady came on the scene—diving beneath a boom of logs and swimming under water till we came up on the other side.

"Just water rats!" he would mutter to himself as he made across the wharf, "and the first water rat doomed to be drowned has yet to be born."

I was the spoiled favorite in a humble household of three, Mrs. Berry, Sam (my foster-father) and myself, then at the interesting and callow age of twelve.

I had learned in a disjointed way, from an odd phrase dropped now and again, that my real mother had died when I was born; that I had been brought up in another home until that home also got broken up; that my father might be alive, but, again, that in every probability he was not, for he had gone away after my mother's death and had not returned to claim me.

I had never discussed the matter with my foster-mother and the information had simply seeped into my mind, a word here and another there—to me at all times uninteresting and of little account, for Mrs. Berry had not once failed in filling all the exacting requirements of both father and mother.

Sam Berry, my foster-father, was a shiftless, good-natured, easy-going, easily-led, irresponsible individual who slept, smoked and talked with much greater gusto than he did anything else. When he could not get out of it, he worked as a longshoreman. He was what he jocularly called a "Green Funnel specialist"—for Sam could spring his little joke even when it was on himself—and he conveyed the idea in his talk that it would be a lowering of his dignity for him to help in the loading or unloading of any other that a "Green Funnel" steamer, and as these vessels generally came into port at the rate of one a month they did not unduly interfere with Sam's debates and arguments in the waterfront saloons.

Sam Berry had not always been this way. At twenty-two he had been reckoned the ablest of the younger stevedores in the great seaport of Liverpool, but time and drink had wrought changes much to Sam's detriment. And a strange thing with him was that he could run a boat with the same skill as he could load one.

It was next to impossible for anyone to get angry with him. There was nothing in his make-up to engender anger. He had an open ear and an open hand for any kind of hard-luck story. He spent what little money he earned in the same shiftless way as he worked. The Western Hotel bartenders got the most of it.

It was lucky indeed for our little home—as I can see now—that his good-natured, big-hearted wife was a practised hand at dressmaking, for she seldom if ever saw any of Sam's earnings and she had got so used to doing without his help that she took the condition more or less as a matter of course.

Sam was apparently past all changing. Mrs. Berry was his mainstay and his sheet anchor, and I can remember it was her constant prayer that she would be spared to outlive him, for she could conceive of herself living without Sam but never of Sam living without her.

Sam never quarreled with her. He bowed to her judgment in all things. What she said and what she did were quite all right with him. When she gave him a mild reprimand for his foolishness—and her reprimands were never other than mild—he would listen attentively and admit with a nod of his head the truth of all she said. He would even take his pipe out of his mouth as he listened, which, with Sam, was a tremendous show of deference and respect. But he would continue the uneven tenor of his ways.

I was a prime favorite with Sam and I used to look up to him as a paragon of all excellence, for did he not embody that wonderful being I so longed to grow to—a man, and a man who had sailed the seas?

Sam used to suck at his pipe and listen to my accounts of my boyish escapades with chuckles of relish. Maybe he saw in me an energy and keenness for life that he himself lacked. He never raised a hand against me and he was ever ready to make excuses for my shortcomings in spite of the remonstrances of his better half. Outside of taking on extra work or dispensing with his beer and his tobacco, Sam would have done anything in the world for me.

In his sober and contrite moments he used to hold himself up to me as a horrible example of all that a man ought not to try to grow to. At these times, he conveyed the feeling that his life would not be altogether a failure and he would not have lived in vain if the pitfalls he had tumbled into and would naturally continue to tumble into were avoided by me.

Our homes was one of the semi-respectable houses—shabby genteel—on the high side of the street overlooking Burrard Inlet and gazing into one of the numerous lumber wharves which lay to the east of the city, just beyond the freight sheds, the cheap hotels and saloons, and the conglomerate section inhabited chiefly by Japanese and negroes.

Early one afternoon, my mother—for I had learned to call her such—was sitting by the window, sewing. I was still at the table, rounding off my mid-day meal with odds and ends, as a hungry and growing boy generally does. She looked up suddenly from her work, with a worried expression on her face as she gazed at me.

"Sonny," she said as I glanced up, "come over here; I would like to say something to you."

I rose and went to her, standing by her side and placing my arm on her shoulder, for I knew she was feeling sad over Sam.

That morning, he had seen a "Green Funnel" liner, fully loaded, push her way through The Narrows, and six hours later he had stumbled home with a grin on his face and his pockets empty. My mother had pulled off his boots and clothing and had tumbled him into bed, where he now lay, flat on his back, asleep and breathing heavily.

"If anything should happen to me, sonny," she said, "what would you do?"

"Oh, I don't know. Nothing's going to happen to you. But I guess I would just stay with Sam. He would look after me."

Strange to say, I never called Sam anything but just "Sam."

My mother sighed. "You know, Douglas, Sam was not always a heavy drinker, not until he got caught in a fire in a shipping shed in Liverpool; after that he just seemed not to care. Now Sam can't look after himself."

"Then I guess I would just have to look after him. But there isn't anything going to happen to you," I reiterated, as if in need of assurance on the point, for she set a fear in me. "We both need you too badly."

"We don't always get what we need in this world, Douglas. But I'm going to try hard so's nothing will happen for a while."

She put her arm round me and looked into my face.

"Sonny—I wish you were older and bigger," she sighed, putting her cheek against mine.

"Oh, I'm getting big!"

She smiled.

"What are you going to do when you grow up, Dougie? Mr. Gartshore says that, for all your pranks and mischief, you are a good boy at school. Your school reports tell me that too."

I thought for a moment as to what I would like to be, but had to shake my head.

"I don't know for sure what I want to be; but I guess it'll be something connected with boats and water."

"Well, if you ever have to go away and I am not here;—you see that trunk in the corner?"

I nodded.

"There is a long, tin box inside. You've seen it."

She rose and lifted the lid of the trunk, bringing out a good sized cash box. She opened it. "See—right on top is this letter and it has your name on it. I put it there, but inside of it is another letter with your name on it too. If I am not here and you have to go away, I want you to make sure that you take this with you, for it is your very own. You must never lose it. Sew it inside your coat-lining, or get somebody you can trust—somebody that likes little boys as I do—to keep it safe for you."

"What's inside?" I asked, with a boy's natural curiosity.

"I don't know all that's in it—a letter left to you by your father, I think, all sealed and not to be opened till you are twenty-two—and as it may be your father's very last message, his wish must be respected. There is also a letter in there from me to you, with a little present. I made it for your twenty-second birthday the same as the other, because maybe the one will help to comfort you a little should the other have something in it to cause you worry. It must not be opened till then—just as it says on the front. Will you remember that, Douglas?"

"Sure I will! That won't be hard to remember."

"Well—there it is, back on top of the box again, and you mustn't forget, for it might mean much to you then."

"But it is a long time to wait till I'm twenty-two," I remarked.

"Yes,—and that's why I'm telling you about it now, for lots of things can happen between the time a boy is twelve and he gets to twenty-two."

How true were her conjectures! Lots of things did happen in my case and the wonder of it is that I ever reached that seemingly tremendously old age of twenty-two.

"What is that?" she exclaimed suddenly, starting up at a noise at the window.

I ran to the front and looked out.

"Oh,—it is just Cooney. He wants me to go out."

"All right then,—off you go."

She wiped her eyes and gave me a kiss. But at the time, I hardly noticed her tears and I accepted her maternal kiss as most healthy boys do—I liked the caress and would have missed it, but getting it, I did not stop to analyze it. It was one of those intangible somethings that one thinks about only long after they have ceased.

I grabbed up my cap.

"Tell Cooney not to throw stones up at the window when he wants you. He might smash it."

"All right!"

"And Douglas——"

I stopped at the door.

"Why don't you play with some of the white boys? That blackamoor is always after you like the shadow he is."

"Oh, I play with white boys far more than I do with Cooney. But he's a nice boy—and he's terribly funny. Everybody likes him. It is just his black that's wrong with him."

She laughed, waved her hand, and I bolted down the veranda steps.

(To be Continued).

M. Goodson Up Town.

(Ravenwood Gazette).

Col. M. Goodson was down in town Tuesday, the first time in fourteen weeks. Mr. Goodson is mending nicely from his operation and will soon be in his former good health.

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Closing Out Sale

As I have sold my farm and am moving to town, I will sell at the farm, 3-4 miles north of Harmony church, 2 miles south of Orrsburg, on

Tuesday, January 6th

beginning at 10 o'clock, the following described property:

12 HEAD CATTLE—9 head of milk cows, Shorthorns, some with Jersey blood; 2 suckling calves; 1 yearling heifer.

3 HEAD OF HORSES—gray mare, 9 years old, in foal to jack; weight 1400; sorrel mare, 9 years old, weight 1200; smooth mouth mare, weight 1200.

10 HEAD OF HOGS—5 head of Chester White sows, to farrow in February; 5 head of gits, will farrow in February; 30 head of shoats, will weigh from 50 to 125 pounds.

FEED—20 tons of timothy and clover mixed hay in barn; 2 or 3 tons of hay in stack. 10 or 12 tons of insilage; stack of wheat straw; 100 bushels of corn in crib; 50 bushels of oats.

IMPLEMENTS—15-16 Rock Island disc; 14-inch Rock Island gang plow; 14-inch John Deere walking plow; J. I. Case riding cultivator; New Departure walking cultivator; International go-devil; 2 section harrow; high wheeled wagon; low wheel wagon with rack; set 1½ inch harness; set 1¼ harness; stock saddle and bridle; De Lavel No. 12 cream separator; One-Minute hand power washing machine; buggy; 450-bushel slat corn crib; iron pump; feed bunk; 50 hedge posts; and other articles too numerous to mention.

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FOR SALE

LEGAL FORMS FOR SALE—the following legal forms may be had at The Democrat-Forum office: quit claim deed, house leases, deed of trust, chattel mortgage with power of sale, and general warranty deed.

FOR SALE—One tube radio set, complete at bargain. Fisher Battery Station. 8tf

New Tops and Side Curtains; door opening Curtains and winter tops. Satisfaction guaranteed. Farmers Auto Supply Co. D4-J3.

FOR SALE—Jersey cows, heifers; some fresh now, some heavy springers. Will trade for stock hogs. Joe Fogan, box 27, Reimer's Meat Market; phone Hanamo 186, Farmers 232. D21-J29

PUBLIC SALE—Tuesday, Jan. 6th, 2¾ miles southeast Ravenwood, beginning 10:30; 6 head horses; 7 milk cows; 26 head sheep from 4 years old to yearlings; Hugh Thrasher. 2*

FOR SALE—10 tons clover hay in barn. Harry Wood, Barnard. 3-6*

FOR SALE—39 Head of Ewes. Call Eri Bosch, Pickering. 1-3*

FOR SALE — Chester White thoroughbred male hog; 3 milk cows, all giving milk. Dee Callahan, west of County Farm. 3-6*

FOR SALE—One floor and Stock Rack for Truck. One 22 Winchester Rifle. Call Hanamo 74½. 1-3*

FOR SALE—Canaries; male and female, singers $3.00, female $1.00. Mrs. Jack Holt, Hanamo 5346. 1-3.

MISCELLANEOUS

MONEY TO LOAN — Joint Stock Land Bank plan on farm loans. Also city and farm real estate for sale. Ed F. Wolfert. D15-J15

ROOMS for rent—modern home. 403 West First street. D2tf

FOR RENT—Three strictly first-class modern apartments. Two of them one block from business center; better get in while getting's good. Chas. Hyslop. J10-tf

MAN, energetic and reliable, wanted for factory representative to handle our business in Maryville district; unusual opportunity, with fortune for right man; experience or capital unnecessary; write fully Syncro Motors Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

CASH paid for poultry, eggs and cream at Jack Parry's Produce. 106 East 6th street. Farmers 067. D29-J29.

LOST—Crank for Oakland car. Finder leave at Clarence Hilsenbecks at Arkoe. 31-2*

LOST—A stamped lunch cloth Wednesday on sidewalk, finder please leave at Democrat-Forum office. 1-3*

FOR RENT—7 room house at 1108 East Second. Call Hanamo 4515. 3-9

LOST—Tortoise shell glasses, Saturday morning between 216 East First street and Woolworth store. Reward. Return Democrat-Forum. 3-6

Warranty Deeds.

Warranty deeds were filed at the recorder's office today as follows:

Marie Russell, et al, to John H. McIntyre, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 7, Scott's addition to Elmo for $2,000 consideration.

James G. Skidmore and wife to William F. Bolin, lots 10, 11 and 12, block 26, Barnard for $2,500 consideration.

Tebow Guest Leaves.

Miss Gertrude Swallen, who has been visiting a schoolmate, Mrs. Frank G. Tebow, during the holidays, left this morning for Parkville, where she will visit over Sunday with her sister, Miss Mary Swallen. From there she will go to Fayetteville, Ark., to resume her work at the University of Arkansas.

Miss Alsamene King, who has been spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. King, will return to Lincoln, tomorrow where she attends the University of Nebraska.

Car Missouri coal, car Franklin county coal on track; city scale weight. Glover & Alexander. 3-6

Much Corn Shipped Into Barnard This Fall

(Barnard Bulletin)

Roy Cook, our local depot agent reports that something like fifteen carloads of corn have been shipped into Barnard in the past few weeks.

This is more corn than has been shipped into this community for some time past and is of necessity taking out of the community a large amount of money that has been left here in former years. The corn is selling around $1.25 to $1.30 on the track.

Much of the stock is being shipped out in half fat condition and is not bringing the prices that good finished stuff would bring.

There appears to be enough of hay and fodder in the country to winter cows and horses through until grass and but few are feeding for spring market.

21 Dog License Tags Sold at the City Hall

Besides all the various taxes that have to be collected at the city hall by the city collector and his office force, has been the duty of collecting dog license tax, which was due January 1. At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon twenty-one dog owners had applied for the tags, which sell for $3.

Thrift Week, Jan. 17 to 24, Will Be Observed

New York, Jan. 3.—The two hundred and eighteenth anniversary of the birthday of Benjamin Franklin, "apostle of thrift," Saturday, January 17, will be observed throughout the country as the first of seven days of emphasis upon his principles of success. The general plans were announced here today at national thrift week headquarters.

The observance of national thrift week has grown from a modest beginning in 1916 into an established program. Records of last year's observance show that the "week" was recognized in one form or another in thousands of communities in this country, and that in many communities in every state the observance was according to a program planned by representative local groups. This included, the 1924 report shows, a largely increased use of newspaper advertising space devoted to carrying to millions of readers practical inspiration as to thrifty use of their money power.

The purpose of national thrift week is to help Americans think straight about money matters. Ten steps have come to be regarded as the essentials of an allround thrifty program for the individual as follows:

Work and earn, make a budget, record expenditures, have a bank account, carry life insurance, own your own home, make a will, invest in safe securieties, pay bills promptly, share with others.

The days of the week will be designated as follows:

Saturday, January 17, "Pay Bills Day;" Sunday, "Share With Others Day;" Monday, "National Thrift Day or Bank Day;" Tuesday, "Life Insurance Day;" Wednesday, "Own Your Own Home Day;" Thursday, "Budget Day," and Friday, "Safe Investments Day."

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our friends for their kindness during the illness and death of Geo. W. Null.

Mrs. Geo. W. Null and family.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Market Report

Chicago, Dec. 3.—CATTLE—Receipts 1,100.
HOGS—Receipts 12,000.
SHEEP—Receipts 7,000.

St. Louis, Jan. 3.—CATTLE—Receipts 500.
HOGS—Receipts 6,000.
SHEEP—Receipts 150.

Kansas City, Jan. 3.—CATTLE—Receipts 400.
HOGS—Receipts 6,000.
SHEEP—Receipts 150.

St. Joseph, Jan. 3.—CATTLE—Receipts 100.
HOGS—Receipts 9,000; top $10.90.
SHEEP—Receipts 500.
Hogs 10 cents higher.

TODAY'S MARKET

Heavy Hens, lb	16c
Light hens, lb	12c
Heavy springers, lb	16c
Geese, per lb	12c
Ducks, lb	12c
Leghorn and black springs, lb	12c
Cocks, lb	7c
Butterfat, per lb	35c
Eggs, per doz	45c
Hides, per lb	7c

When the Frost Is on the Window

Communication

SUGGESTS 'POET STONE' HERE.

Editor Democrat-Forum:

I can not think of any better way of starting the "New Year" off, than by suggesting to you, and your paper, that Maryville have a Poet Stone.

I have received a number of letters from some of the world's best artists, pertaining to the legend, and each one of them had something good to say about it.

So my New Year wish will include that the folk of Maryville, especially the children, could view nature through the Poet Stone before they had read the legend of it. In this way the child would receive more of the beauty, and at the same time be informed as to how the Poet Stone is supposed to have come into existence. The legend and the Poet Stone are so closely connected in thought that the one seems incomplete without the other.

The Poet Stone, which the Park Board of Minneapolis, erected at the Falls of Minnehaha, is, in size 3½ by 4½ by 1½ inches and so set that it can be turned on the object which is the most pleasing to the eye.

The above size stone is the, size that I would suggest for Maryville, the cost of which would be $35. Of course this is not the regular price of this size stone. Although I do not expect one penny of profit in this transaction, I could naturally, like for this work of Art to pay its own way.

I could send the Poet Stone and legend to you, and you could present it to the city, and at the same time publish the legend of it. It may be that this idea would appeal to the school children of Maryville and that they would be glad to contribute the above amount for the stone.

The following is a clipping from the Minneapolis Tribune about the "Poet Stone."

A "Poet Stone," the result of a poet's dream that the wondrous beauty of nature could be seen in its whole splendor and not have to be visualized through enchanting verse, Saturday was placed at Minnehaha Falls by the park board, Geoge Luther Burr of St. Paul, the author of the legend, "The Poet Stone."

The stone is a prismatic green glass placed on the side of the road overlooking the falls directly in front of the main pavilion. Hundreds of persons viewed the falls through the glass Saturday. When one looks through it the falls take on a dress of every color in the rainbow and every tree, leaf and cloud is painted in golden hues.

Mr. Burr was at Pike's Peak in Colorado last year when he conceived the idea of turning the beauty of poetry he read there into reality. The stone is a permanent fixture at the falls.

Alleged Kidnapper May Be Released

Friends of Excelsior Springs Man Hurry To His Assistance In Divorce Procedure By Wife.

Excelsior Springs, Jan. 3.—Oscar Olson, charged with the kidnapping of his divorced wife while in a hospital here, is expected to be released on a $5,000 bond when he is arraigned this afternoon by one of the most unusual procedures in court history.

By noon today, more than one hundred citizens had signed their names to his bond and scores of others were waiting to sign. Olson, through his attorneys, contends his wife's divorce was obtained by coercion of his stepfather-in-law, Charles Berry, local politician. The divorce was granted while Olson was in Minnesota, his former home.

In a petition filed yesterday, Olson's attorneys demanded that Berry be forced to explain his actions in court which, the petition alleges, "were not those of a father or a guardian."

Just Arrived—Car each Wyoming lump, Missouri lump, Franklin Co. lump, Franklin Co. egg coal. William Everhart.

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Sports

SPOOFHOUNDS TAKE OPENER

DEFEAT TARKIO CAGERS LAST NIGHT 23 TO 13.

FIRST GIRLS TEAM WIN

Girls Will Play Savannah Here Next Week While the Spoofhounds Take On College Cubs.

Exhibiting a defense which Tarkio Hi cagers could not penetrate the Spoofhound basketball team defeated its opponents on the High School court last night 23 to 13.

The game featured close guarding by both teams, extremely little real basketball class and became on the rough order on the part of both aggregations at times. One Maryville forward was sent off the floor in the last quarter by referee Sam Dubin. The gymnasium was fairly crowded for the first game of the J925 season. The Maryville girls team, scheduled to meet the Tarkio sextet, played a preliminary game, the first team against the second, due to the fact the Tarkio girls game was cancelled. The first team defeated the second string 33 to 12.

Both the boys teams had difficulty in getting together and the first half was marked by little team work. Tarkio took the ball on the first tip off, held possession of the ball for a couple of minutes but the close guarding of Maryville prevented scoring, which held true during the entire game. A pass from Roelofson to Kissinger, with the latter running under the loop and slipping the ball through for two points started the scoring. Thomas, forward, for Tarkio, evened the count when he tossed in two free throws. Roelofson put the Spoofhounds in the lead by a free throw and the first quarter ended 3 to 2 for the local High School cagers.

The Thomas-Troxel combination for Tarkio passed the sphere down the court and Thomas heaved a long shot from the free throw line, putting the Tarks in the lead. Thomas again made several attempts for goals.

Following the Tarkio counter Roelofson and Yeary in quick succession looped the basket for points and the first half ended with Maryville increasing its lead, 9 to 4.

In the third quarter Roelofson was again the first to score. Tarkio was taking long chances at scoring, the reason was that the Maryville guards prevented the opposing forwards from getting under the mesh. Both teams were using the five-man defense. Gibson went in for Wright at forward. Thomas scored again from the center of the floor and brought the score within two points of Maryville's lead, and the third quarter ended 13 to 11.

The fourth quarter became intense. Fox Kissinger rushed the ball down the court and missed a pot shot from underneath the basket. Roelofson was also doing the same. Maryville might have scored more by less individual playing at this point. Maryville proved weak at taking the ball off the backboard. Two baskets by Kissinger, the Maryville center, one a short shot and the other from the free throw line and a basket by Roelofson and Cockayne clinched the game for Maryville.

Sam Dubin of Bedford, Ia., officiated both games and H. L. Raines was timekeeper.

The next game for the Spoofhounds will be next Friday when the College Cubs play on the local floor. At this time the Savannah girls will be here to tangle with the Maryville girls. The Maryville girls have shown a great deal of improvement in the last week. However, little can be predicted from the girls' game last night as the two teams scrimmage every day and know the style of play that each girl uses.

Coach Ebert has yet to file off the rough edges of the floor work of his regulars and instruct some of his boys in getting rid of the ball in easier fashion than exhibited last night. The Maryville offense is built around Roelofson and Kissinger. Roelofson is the most experienced player. His eye for the basket is yet off range. Kissinger is improving as the season progresses and a comparison of his playing last year with the way he is going now indicates that he "eats up" basketball every practice during the week. Yeary is all fight at guard position while Cockayne, yet a bit akward at passing the ball, does not lose any time going down the floor and these two men kept their end of the floor out of danger through the entire game with Tarkio. Practice on following the ball off the back board will be drilled next week by Ebert. The box score of the boys' and girls games last night:

Tarkio (13)	FG	FT	PF
McMillen, f	1	0	0
Thomas, f	3	2	1
Troxel, c	1	1	0
Kime, g	0	0	1
Wood, g	0	0	2
Maryville (23)	**FG**	**FT**	**PF**
Wright, f	0	0	1
Roelofson, f	4	1	3
Gibson, f	0	0	1
Kissinger, c	4	2	0
Cockayne, g	1	0	2
Yeary, g	1	0	1
Petty, g	0	0	0
Whites (12)	**FG**	**FT**	**PF**
C. Wray, f	3	3	0
Dinsmore, f	1	1	0
Todd, je	0	0	0
Murray, rc	0	0	0
Dean, g	0	0	0
F. Wray, g	0	0	2
Blacks (33)	**FG**	**FT**	**PF**
Puckett, f	11	2	0
Wright, f	4	1	0
Miller, je	0	0	2
Hildreth, rc	0	0	0
Smith, g	0	0	0
England, g	0	0	0

Maitland Defeats the Fairfax Five 40 to 11

Maitland High School cagers defeated the Fairfax quintet last night at Maitland 40 to 11. Ungles was the outstanding star and high point man of the game, caging 10 field goals.

Robidoux Loses to Maysville High 17-21

Maysville Hi five conquered one of Maryville's opponents for the season, in the form of Robidoux High School of St. Joseph at Maysville last night, 21 to 17. Bob Young was the mainstay of the Robidoux five and incidentally high point man for the game.

Lafayette Hi Easily Beats Trenton, 20-12

Lafayette High School sent an aggregation of basketball players into a game against Trenton at St. Joseph last night that more than made the Grundy County boys look sick. Lafayette won 20 to 12. Lafayette is another team that will engage Coach Harold G. Ebert's Spoofhounds this season.

Butler College Noses Out K. C. A. C. 29-28

Butler College five and the Blue Diamonds of the K. C. A. C. Club put on a replica of the game for national championship in 1924. Butler College with its captain, Griggs, in a rally in the last five minutes, overwhelmed the five point lead that the Blue Diamonds had obtained and nosed out the runners up last year by a score of 29 to 28 at the Convention Hall last night.

The K. C. A. C. line-up included at the start:

Browning, Ford, O'Burne, Sanders, Storms, Hartfelter.

Burlington Jct. and Elmo Divide Twin Bill

The High School teams of Burlington Junction and Elmo divided a double-header bill at the Burlington Junction court last night, the Burlington Junction boys winning 19 to 8 and the Elmo sextet defeating the Burlington Junction girls 32 to 18.

Strickler of Mound City officiated at both of the games.

The box score of the boys game:

Burlington Junction (19)	F.G.	F.T.
Byers, f	2	0
Ferguson, f	3	0
Rhodes, c	3	2
Hamilton, g	0	0
K. Jones, g	0	1
Manes, f	0	0
Greenelsh, g	0	0
Elmo (8)	**F.G.**	**F.T.**
Livengood, f	0	0
Abbott, f	1	0
Adkins, c	2	1
Lee, g	0	1
Phillips, g	0	0
Ward, g	0	0

The Burlington Junction boys and girls will go to Mound City next Friday to play a double header there.

ROYSTER ITEMS.

School began Monday after a happy vacation. The students are enjoying coasting this week.

Miss Ruth Finney returned Saturday night after spending Christmas vacation with her parents at Cainsville, Mo.

Miss Lois M. Thompson spent Saturday afternoon with Pauline Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Thompson and children spent Christmas day with the latter's mother, Mrs. J. E. O'Neal.

Misses Millie and Wilma Logan called at Ernest Shelton's Christmas evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Booth, and son, Jimmie, and Virgil Hamilton called at Ernest Shelton's Monday night.

Little Misses Georgia and Martha Shelton spent Thursday night with their cousin, Pauline Thompson.

Many from the district attended the funeral of Mrs. J. W. Johnson, who passed away Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Duncan spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duncan.

Miss Pauline Thompson spent Monday night at the home of her uncle, Ernest Shelton and family.

Kenneth Thompson was a Maryville visitor Wednesday morning.

Several in the district have butchered this week.

ARKOE SCHOOL NOTES.

The A and B classes have been having some interesting class debates this quarter. They have debated recently on "Resolved, That the Dog is More Useful Than the Pony on a Farm," and "Resolved, That the Girl is More Useful in the home Than a Boy." They have shown some marked ability along the line of debating.

After a week's vacation everyone seems more interested in work and have as we say more "pep" in general. We expect to accomplish much this semester.

The next literary program will be given January 23.

We have a new book case and expect to get our library classified next week.

EUDORA SCHOOL ITEMS.

School work was resumed again Monday after a week's Christmas vacation.

Miss Snyder spent her vacation with her parents in Braddyville, Ia.

Edwin Palmerton and Leona and Mildred Symmonds are still absent from school on account of sickness.

Santa Claus made his annual visit to the people in this district and everyone is satisfied till his return trip next year.

There was school on January 1.

The B class are studying King Arthur and his Knights for supplementary reading.

We are starting on the second half of the term's work. Geography will be studied in place of Hygiene by the A and B classes this semester.

Several from this neighborhood helped Willie Crane to haul hogs Wednesday.

ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL NOTES

Those admitted during the week were Mrs. Mary Corby, Chicago; Miss Blanche Hardy, Quitman; Mrs. B. C. Sowers, Clearmont; Master Raymond Sobbing, Hopkins; Alton A. Logan, Burlington Junction; Miss Grace Harris, Conway, Ia.; Master John F. Harvey, Maryville; E. Whiton, Savannah; Mrs. George Wildish, Ravenwood; Emmett Miller, Parneil. A son was born last Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cummins of Maryville.

Those dismissed were Mrs. Joe Birkenholz and infant son, Maryville; Mrs. Mary Corby, Chicago; Master Raymond Sobbing, Hopkins; Miss Grace Harris, Conway, Ia.; W. I. Gray, Ravenwood; Wray Wray, Hopkins; Mrs. C. O. Humberd, Barnard; Mrs. William Guyette, Tarkio; and Ivan Cockayne, Maryville.

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Bridge Luncheon for Visitors.

Mrs. Henry Bohm of Denver, Colo., and Miss Mary Bell of Liberty, Mo., were the complimented guests at a 1 o'clock luncheon and bridge which Mrs. Charles T. Bell, Mrs. Edward Gray and Mrs. F. P. Robinson gave this afternoon at the home of the latter on North Frederick avenue. Assisting the hostesses in receiving were Mrs. L. G. Crossan of Kansas City, Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. Theodore Robinson, Mrs. James Robinson, Jr., and Miss Virginia Robinson. The guests were served from seven small tables centered with lavender sweet peas and pink roses in crystal baskets, tied with blue tulle. The same colors prevailed in the place cards and other appointments. Other visiting guests invited were Mrs. Frank Flynn of Kansas City; Mrs. Cleav Funk of Omaha; Mrs. R. G. Sanders and Miss Marian Sanders of St. Joseph; Mrs. C. C. Dickinson of Clinton; Mrs. Court Toel and Mrs. Harold Bellows of Chicago; and Mrs. John I. Hoffman of Pittsburg, Pa. The guests numbered thirty-five.

L. I. Club.

The L. I. Club met at the home of Mrs. Clarence Pope Thursday afternoon. The new officers were installed and a short program was given. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Henry Upschulte. The following members were present: Mrs. T. D. Hornbuckle and daughter, Gladys, Mrs. Sam Bays, Mrs. Sid Ewing, Mrs. Frank Ulmer, Mrs. William Ingels, Mrs. Ida Morris and daughter, Ethel, Mrs. Carl Burk, Mrs. Loren Gillespie and daughters, Gail and Pauline, Mrs. Dell Florea and sons, Howard and Dale Stanton, Mrs. Charles Massie and daughter, Norma Lee, and Mrs. Cleo Ulmer and children, Geraldine and Robert. Mrs. Earl Pope of Maryville was a visitor. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Carl Burk January 15. Roll call will be answered by current events.

Alert Rebekah Lodge.

Mrs. Laura Murdock presided Thursday night at the first meeting of Alert Rebekah Lodge for the year 1925. Mrs. J. J. Turner, Mrs. Cy Ashford, Mrs. Harry McGinness, Miss Dessa Gault and Mrs. W. D. Williams were appointed as delegates to the meeting of the county association. The Burlington Junction lodge will be hostess to the association Tuesday night, January 8. The local Rebekahs will serve supper for the I. O. O. F County Association, which will meet here January 20. Supper will be served at the Christian Church. Mrs. Nellie Smith will install the new officers next Thursday night.

New Year's Guests.

Mrs. William Wells and Mrs. Lettie Kime entertained the following guests on New Year's day at the Wells home in Hopkins: Mr. and Mrs. Elihu Busby, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Busby of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Robb and Mrs. Ross Wells and little daughter, Lois of Hopkins. Elihu and Ed Busby are brothers of Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Kime, and cousins of Mrs. Robb.

Entertains Club.

The Thursday Afternoon Progressive Club met with Mrs. Will Strough Thursday afternoon. The afternoon was spent socially and the members held their annual New Year's exchange. Mrs. Will Bracken was received as a new member of the club. Refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Miss Flo Masters. The meeting next Thursday will be held at the home of Mrs. J. D. Bolin and roll call will be answered by newspaper clippings. The members present at the meeting Thursday were Mrs. Harry Hunt, Mrs. Marvin Bell, Mrs. J. D. Bolin, Mrs. Harry Clayton, Mrs. C. N. Johnson, Mrs. E. E. Bolin, Mrs. Williamson, Miss Ada Needles, Mrs. Harry Wamsley, and the hostess. Miss Flo Masters was a visitor.

Hosts at Duck Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Swearingen entertained with a duck dinner at their home northeast of Maryville, New Year's day. Plates were laid for Mrs. Ralph Alloway, Irene Alloway, Mr. and Mrs. Lige Grooms, and the hosts and children, Donald, Dale and Beulah Fern.

Thompson-Ward Wedding.

A pretty wedding of this afternoon was that of Miss Winifred Irene Thompson, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Thompson, and Paul L. Ward, which was solemnized at 2:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, southwest of Maryville. Dr. C. C. James of the First Methodist Church performed the single ring ceremony before an altar in the living room banked with palms, ferns and flowers. Preceding the service Miss Alice I. Ward, sister of the bridegroom, sang, "I Love You Truly." Mrs. Alma Healy, sister of the bride, played the "Lohengrin" wedding march as the bridal party entered, and during the ceremony she played Mendelssohn's Flower Song. Miss Letha Sutterfield of St. Joseph was bridesmaid and Mr. Ollie Hautzenrader of Kansas City attended Mr. Ward as best man. The bride's gown was of brown satin crepe, made on straight lines, with matching accessories. Immediately following the ceremony a luncheon was served. A green and white color scheme was used in the luncheon appointments and house decorations.

The out-of-town guests were Mrs. W. M. Ward and Miss Alice Ward of St. Joseph, mother and sister of the bridegroom; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Thompson of Amity; Miss Letha Sutterfield of St. Joseph;: and Mr. Ollie Hautzenrader of Kansas City.

For the last nine months the bride has been assistant in the junior department of the St. Joseph main library. A dinner party in her honor was given by the library employees Wednesday evening at Wachter's.

Mr. Ward has been a resident of Maryville for the last year and a half coming here from St. Joseph, and at present is connected with the Maryville Electric Light and Power Company. Mr. Ward and his bride will be at home to their friends at 221 West Eleventh street after today.

Dance at Country Club.

One of the delightful affairs of the week was the old-fashioned dance which was given last night at the Country Club. The quadrille, schottish and other popular dances of former days were featured with a five-piece orchestra playing old-time tunes. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Forysth, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sisson, Mr. and Mrs. Lauris Eek, Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Baker, Mrs. E. F. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Beattie, Miss Clara Sturm, Mrs. Frank Flynn of Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Cleav Funk of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Robinson, Dr. and Mrs. Charles T. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Richey, Miss Mary Bell of Liberty; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Leet, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Bovard, T. A. Cummins, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Costello, George McMurry, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bellows, Charles Bellows, Jr., of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lewis, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Luther A. Richman, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hellmers, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barmann, Mr. and Mrs. John I. Hoffman of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Colby, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Gillam, Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Braniger and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wolfers.

Entertains Club.

Members of the Bloomfield Needlework Club held an all-day meeting at the home of Mrs. Earl McClurg yesterday. The day was spent in quilting and dinner in cafeteria style was served at noon. The husbands of the club members will hold their annual wood chopping next Thursday for Mrs. Anna Hollensbe and Mrs. Mary Hollensbe. The clubwomen will serve the dinner. The club will meet with Misses Della and Nannie McNeal January 15 when roll call will be answered by radio station and number. The members present at yesterday's meeting were Mrs. Joe Lamport, Mrs. Bryan Hanna and son, Mrs. B. C. Clayton, Mrs. Ira Thompson, Mrs. George Hantze, Mrs. Anna Hollensbe, Mrs. Burley Swalley and son, Mrs. Marvin Carmichael and daughter, Mrs. Curtis Hull, Mrs. Jim Lett, Mrs. J. H. Hanna, Mrs. Lee Birkenholz, Mrs. Ed Hanna and children, Mrs. John McClurg, Mrs. Arthur Wray, Misses Della and Nannie McNeal, Ethelyn Hanna and Neva McClurg. Guests of the club were Mrs. Tom McClurg, Misses DeLora and Mayme McClurg, Miss Mina Harvey, Mrs. B. H. Shannon, and Alma Wray.

Club Supper at Blagg Home.

Members of the C. C. Club of the Swallow district and their families enjoyed an oyster supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edison Blagg last night. Following the supper, which was served at seven small tables, the guests played cards. The red and green colors of the holiday season were used in the house decorations. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Alva Heflin and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Heflin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Epperson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shamberger and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lyle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Busby and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Evans and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mutz and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bracken and family, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Wright, Miss Gertrude Wright, Arthur Snowberger, Grace Lee and Mary Jane McGinness, and Mr. and Mrs. Blagg and children, Billy and Betty.

W. M. Society Meets.

Sixteen members and three visitors attended the meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Christian Church at the church yesterday afternoon. The hostesses were Miss Clara Roelofson, Mrs. J. C. Clayton, Mrs. William Armstrong, Mrs. N. T. Hornbuckle, and Mrs. W. A. Townsend. Mrs. Harry Todd presided at the meeting which opened with singing of "I Love to Tell the Story," followed by prayer. The scripture lesson from Acts 2:41-47, 11:20-24, and 31:1-3 was read by Mrs. E. T. Godsey. Short talks on the subject of the afternoon were made by Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. Robert Lyle and Mrs. James Ray. The quarterly reports were given by Mrs. T. C. Coil. Plans for a pageant, to be presented soon by the society, were discussed. The February meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Vada Halley. Others on the program will be Mrs. Heifner and Mrs. Alex Holt. The hostesses will be Mrs. Belle Davenport, Mrs. Moon, Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. McDowell.

1924 Class Reunion.

The 1924 mid-year graduating class of the Maryville High School held a reunion last night at the home of Miss Gertrude Garrett on East Fourth street. The class members present were Misses Rosella Froman, Ruth Fisher, Ellen Whaley, Edna Nichols, Lucy Allen, and Burdette Yeo, Ralph Hall, Edward Tindall, George Murray, and the hostess. Letters were read from Miss Eula Marie McDonald and other out-of-town members. The evening was spent in games and prizes for high score were won by Miss Ruth Fisher and Edward Tindall. Refreshments were served at the close of the games. Assisting the hostess in entertaining were her mother, Mrs. W. O. Garrett, and Miss Rosella Froman.

Wilcox Rebekah Lodge.

About forty members attended the regular meeting of the Wilcox Rebekah Lodge last night when installation of officers was held. Mrs. Lou Livengood of Clearmont was the installing officer. The following officers were installed: Past Grand, Okalla Shackleford; noble grand, Minnie Ferguson; vice-grand, Maggie Hill; secretary, Bernice Adams; treasurer, Dora Thompson; warden, Dora Guthrie; conductor, Cora Fox; chaplain, Jennie Duncan; right supporter to noble grand, Ida Duncan; lift supporter to noble grand, Edith Ferguson; right supporter to vice-grand, Mrs. C. E. Lynch; left supporter to vice-grand, Ivaree Knisley; inside guardian, Nellie Black; outside guardian, Charles Kelley. After lodge supper was served and games and music were enjoyed.

Hosts to Knabb Club.

Mr. and Mrs. William Job, Jr., entertained members of the Knabb Country Club and their families at their home last night. Games were played at six tables and Mrs. Wilson Nicholas and O. L. Shell were prize winners. Refreshments of sandwiches, pickles, salad, cake and coffee were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Helen Strauch, Mrs. Arch Willhoyte, Mrs. Mainard Vert and Mrs. William Job, Sr. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Arch Willhoyte, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Willhoyte, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Shell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall and daughter, Vivian, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Smith and children, Earl Ross and Edith, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Nicholas and children, Alice Pauline and Junior, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. Mainard Vert and children, Willis, Wilma and Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. William Job, Sr., Mrs. Ella Trullinger, Mrs. Helen Strauch, Misses Grace Tebow, Lucile Masters, Roberta Willhoyte, and Otho Job, Amos Shell, Emery Shell and the hosts and children.

Social Hour Club.

The Social Hour Club was entertained yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. P. Scott. The meeting was called to order by the president. In response to roll call the members gave New Year's resolutions. A New Year's program was given consisting of a reading by Mrs. Robert Gumm; resolutions taken from the Bible; and guessing games. Assisting the hostess in serving a two-course luncheon were her daughters, Mary and Hazel. These members were present: Mrs. C. R. Fakes, Mrs. Floyd Fakes and daughter, Dorothy Jean, Mrs. Robert Gumm, Mrs. Leslie Hanna and son, Lloyd, Mrs. Edgar Houston, Mrs. Roy McMullen, Mrs. Merton Morris, Mrs. Will Spangler, Mrs. Rich Spurgin, Mrs. Omer Strong, Helen Strong, Mary and Hazel Scott, Edith Spangler, Freda Shanklin and the hostess. The next meeting will be held January 14 with Mrs. Will McDowell.

Hostess at Two Dinners.

Mrs. Anna Stauble was hostess at a dinner yesterday noon, entertaining as her guests Mrs. Eva Crabb of Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Jim Croy, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wamsley and Miss Mayme Heflin.

Mrs. Stauble will entertain with a 1 o'clock dinner tomorrow for Mrs. W. R. Wells, Mrs. Mary Hook, Mrs. Amelia Outs, Mrs. Emma Eckles, Mrs. Mary Herron and Mrs. Emma Heflin.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lyle will entertain with a family dinner tomorrow at their home, southwest of Maryville, for Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Lyle and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lyle.

The baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Toel of St. Joseph, born Monday, December 22, has been named Mary Jean. Mrs. Toel was formerly Miss Hildred Hanna of Maryville.

RITES FOR MRS. NANCY WALTERS HELD TODAY

Mrs. Nancy Walters, 89 years old, died Thursday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Aley in Burlington Junction with whom she had made her home for twelve years. She had been an invalid for all these years. Funeral services were held this afternoon and burial was in the Myrtle Tree cemetery.

Nancy Lee Proctor was born in Platte County, Mo., November 25, 1835. On March 22, 1859, she was married to Jonas J. Wilson. To this union six children were born, three of whom survive, Mrs. Aley of Burlington Junction, William J. Wilson of Maryville, and Copies Wilson of Pickering. Mr. Wilson died in 1878. In 1883, she was again married to Levi Walters, who died in 1891. She was a member of the Methodist Church at Pickering, having been converted more than seventy-five years ago. One sister, Mrs. Sina Ladd, also survives.

William L. Mapel, who has been visiting in Maryville, left this morning for Jamesport, Mo., to visit his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Frank J. Mapel over Sunday. Mr. Mapel will return to Columbia Monday where he is a student at the Universty of Missouri.

Misses Lillian and Katherine Carpenter, who have been spending the holidays with their parents, Mr and Mrs. Lee Carpenter, left today to resume their work in the Canton, Ohio schools.

Miss Ora Eckles will return to Kansas City tomorrow morning where she teaches at Central High School, after a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eckles.

Miss Edna Dietz, who has been spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dietz returned to Sioux City, Ia., this morning to resume her work in the Sioux City schools. Miss Helen McNellis, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary McNellis, and Miss Hester DeNeen, who has been visiting her parents, also returned to Sioux City this morning where they teach.

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Trego U. P. F. A. Gives Program Tuesday

The Trego U. P. F. A. met last Tuesday night when the following program was given: Song, "In The Gloaming;" reading of the minutes; roll call; recitation, Ivan Keller; song, Virginia Curry; dialogue, "Good Bye," Elizabeth Keller and Mary Margaret Lyle; song, "Away In the Manger," John Edward Lyle; recitation, Lonnie Pittsenberger; reading, Lee Jesse; and orchestra music. A Christmas exchange was held and refreshments consisting of sandwiches, pickles and coffee were served. The next meeting on January 13 will be in charge of the men of the M. F. A. The program committee includes Wilmer Clayton, Ernest Stafford and Harry Hunt; and the refreshment committee, Boon Clark and Marvin Keller.

Halls Return From Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hall and daughter, Crystal, returned today from a week's visit at Wellington and Arkansas City, Kan., and Webb City, Okla. At the latter place they were guests of Mr. Hall's sister, Mrs. E. W. Sullivan. Miss Abbie Bel Colden of Denver, Colo., a niece of Mrs. Hall, is a week-end guest at the Hall home.

Miss Sohner Leaves.

Miss Jean Sohner, the holiday guest of Miss Ruth Bookman, left this afternoon for her home in Moline, Ill.

Files Suit on Note.

A suit on a note was filed this afternoon by the Clarinda National Bank against Willis A. Sawyers, et al.

Miss Gladys Alexander of Portland, Ore., and Newton Alexander of Charleston, N. C., and their mother, Mrs. J. H. Alexander, will go to Elmo this evening to visit for a few days with Mrs. Alexander's son, Rolla Alexander. Miss Alexander will return to Portland within a few days and Mr. Alexander will return to his home. Mrs. Alexander will make her home with her son, Rolla Alexander, at Elmo.

Mrs. Ella Kiddoo of Henrietta, Mo., who has been visiting her son, Earl Kiddoo, and family, for a week, will leave Monday for her home.

Dr. and Mrs. Fred Keller and children returned home last night after a visit in Arkansas and Southern Missouri.

Charles F. Ward to Board of Curators

Member of Board of Regents of Maryville Named to M. U. Board by Governor Hyde.

Jefferson City, Jan. 3.—Governor Hyde yesterday morning announced the appointment of four members of the board of curators of the University of Missouri, renaming two of his old appointees and appointing two members for Sam A. Baker, governor-elect. The governor said Baker had agreed to the other appointments.

The two new members of the board are Charles F. Ward of Plattsburg, Mo., Democrat, whose term will expire January 1, 1927. Ward succeeds George L. Edwards, Republican, resigned. Mercer Arnold of Joplin, Republican, was appointed for the same term to succeed Perlee Burton, formerly of Joplin. Barton resigned when he moved from Joplin to St. Louis.

The governor reappointed Judge James E. Goodrich of Kansas City, Republican, for a term ending January 1, 1931, and H. J. Blanton, Democrat, editor of the Paris Appeal, for the same term.

Charles T. Orr of Webb City, a Democrat, was appointed a member of the board of managers of the bureau of geology and mines for a term ending May 22, 1925, to succeed John P. Connell, resigned. Orr was recommended by the other members of the board, it was said.

Two members of the board of agriculture, also were announced. Adolphus Boecklor of St. Louis, Republican, was appointed on the recommendation of the governor-elect for a term ending January 4, 1929, to succeed M. J. Hylan. Boecklor will represent the eleventh district. W. E. Leach of St. Louis, Republican, was reappointed from the twelfth district for a term ending January 4, 1929.

Charles F. Ward of Plattsburg has been a member of the board of regents of the State Teachers College here. His term was out this month. The term of True D. Parr of Hamilton as a member of the board of regents also expires this month.

Miss Blanche Fryar and Leland Fryar of Ravenwood were Maryville visitors today.

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